## **MONDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2021**

### **FOURTH LEGISLATIVE DAY**

The House met at 5:00 p.m. and was called to order by Mr. Speaker Sexton.

The proceedings were opened with prayer by Rep. Love.

Representative Love led the House in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

#### **ROLL CALL**

Representatives present were Alexander, Baum, Beck, Boyd, Bricken, Calfee, Campbell, Camper, Carr, Carringer, Casada, Cepicky, Clemmons, Cochran, Cooper, Crawford, Curcio, Darby, Dixie, Doggett, Eldridge, Faison, Farmer, Freeman, Gant, Garrett, Gillespie, Griffey, Grills, Hakeem, Halford, Hall, Harris, Haston, Hawk, Hazlewood, Helton, Hicks G, Hicks T, Hodges, Holsclaw, Howell, Hulsey, Hurt, Jernigan, Johnson C, Johnson G, Keisling, Kumar, Lafferty, Lamar, Lamberth, Leatherwood, Littleton, Love, Lynn, Mannis, Marsh, McKenzie, Miller, Mitchell, Moody, Moon, Ogles, Parkinson, Potts, Powell, Ragan, Ramsey, Reedy, Rudd, Rudder, Russell, Sexton J, Sherrell, Smith, Sparks, Stewart, Terry, Thompson, Todd, Towns, Vaughan, Warner, Weaver, White, Whitson, Williams, Windle, Wright, Zachary, Mr. Speaker Sexton -- 92

#### **EXCUSED**

The Speaker announced that the following members have been excused, pursuant to requests under **Rule No. 20**:

Representative Byrd; illness

Representative Carter; illness

Representative Powers; illness

### PRESENT IN CHAMBER

Reps. Chism and Shaw were recorded as being present in the Chamber.

# COMMUNICATION January 19, 2021

Dear Speaker Sexton,

I would like to appoint Representative John Crawford as my designee on the Government Operations Committee.

Most Sincerely,

/s/ William Lamberth

# COMMUNICATION January 21, 2021

The Honorable Cameron Sexton 600 Cordell Hull Building Nashville, TN 37243

Speaker Sexton,

I wanted to formally reach out to you about my membership on the Government Operations Committee. As Speaker Pro Tem, I have the option to assign someone to serve as my proxy for this committee. I would like to request that Representative Iris Rudder be appointed to take my place and cast a vote on my behalf if I'm unable to attend. She has previously served on this committee and I think she will continue to do a good job.

I appreciate your assistance with this request. Chairman Ragan runs a fine committee and I wish I had enough time in my schedule to properly serve with him.

Sincerely,

/s/ Pat Marsh State Representative

CC: Chairman John Ragan
Representative Iris Rudder

# COMMUNICATION January 26, 2021

The Honorable Cameron Sexton Speaker, Tennessee House of Representatives Cordell Hull Building, Suite 600 Nashville, TN 37243

Dear Speaker Sexton,

I would like to appoint Rep. London Lamar (D-91) as my designee on the Government Operations Committee.

Thank You.

Sincerely,

/s/ Karen D. Camper House Minority Leader

cc: Rep. John Ragan, Chairman

# COMMUNICATION January 27, 2021

Chairwoman Patsy Hazlewood Cordell Hull Building - Suite 622 425 Rep. John Lewis Way North Nashville, TN 37243

Re: Council on Pensions and Insurance

Dear Chairwoman Hazlewood,

As Speaker of the House of Representatives, acting pursuant to Tennessee Code Annotated, § 3-9-101(a)(4), I am sending this letter to remind you that, as the Chairwoman of the House of Representatives Finance, Ways and Means Committee, you serve as a member of the Council on Pensions and Insurance. Your term commences immediately and will expire November 8, 2022.

I am forwarding a copy of this letter to the Council on Pensions and Insurance. Council staff will be contacting you in the near future regarding this appointment.

I am confident that you will perform the duties of the office with the high standard of professionalism, dedication, and integrity that the citizens of Tennessee deserve and expect of their public servants.

Best Wishes,

/s/ Speaker Cameron Sexton

Cc: Jamie Wayman, Director TCRS – Department of Treasury

Lt. Gov. Randy McNally

Kevin Johnson
Jade Cooper
Spenser Carder
Tammy Letzler
Karen Garrett
Anastasia Campbell

Connie Ridley
Jonathan Springer

COMMUNICATION January 27, 2021

Chairman Gary Hicks Cordell Hull Building - Suite 642 425 Rep. John Lewis Way North Nashville, TN 37243

Re: Council on Pensions and Insurance

Dear Chairman Hicks,

As Speaker of the House of Representatives, acting pursuant to Tennessee Code Annotated, § 3-9-101(a)(4), I am sending this letter to remind you that, as the Chairman of the House of Representatives Finance, Ways and Means Subcommittee, you serve as a member of the Council on Pensions and Insurance. Your term commences immediately and will expire November 8, 2022.

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# COMMUNICATION January 27, 2021

Vice Chairman Charlie Baum Cordell Hull Building - Suite 620 425 Rep. John Lewis Way North Nashville, TN 37243

Re: Council on Pensions and Insurance

Dear Vice Chairman Baum,

As Speaker of the House of Representatives, acting pursuant to Tennessee Code Annotated, § 3-9-101(a)(4), I am sending this letter to remind you that, as the Vice Chairman of the House of Representatives Finance, Ways and Means Committee, you serve as a member of the Council on Pensions and Insurance. Your term commences immediately and will expire November 8, 2022.

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## COMMUNICATION **January 27, 2021**

Chairman Ryan Williams Cordell Hull Building - Suite 640 425 Rep. John Lewis Way North Nashville, TN 37243

Re: Council on Pensions and Insurance

Dear Chairman Williams,

As Speaker of the House of Representatives, acting pursuant to Tennessee Code Annotated, § 3-9-101(a)(11), I am confirming your appointment to serve as a member of the Council on Pensions and Insurance. Your term commences immediately and will expire November 8, 2022.

I am forwarding a copy of this letter to the Council on Pensions and Insurance. Council staff will be contacting you in the near future regarding this appointment.

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Best Wishes,

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Chairwoman Patsy Hazlewood

# COMMUNICATION January 27, 2021

Chairman Sam Whitson Cordell Hull Building - Suite 552 425 Rep. John Lewis Way North Nashville, TN 37243

Re: Council on Pensions and Insurance

Dear Chairman Whitson,

As Speaker of the House of Representatives, acting pursuant to Tennessee Code Annotated, § 3-9-101(a)(11), I am confirming your appointment to serve as a member of the Council on Pensions and Insurance. Your term commences immediately and will expire November 8, 2022.

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# COMMUNICATION January 27, 2021

Leader Karen D. Camper Cordell Hull Building - Suite 664 425 Rep. John Lewis Way North Nashville. TN 37243

Re: Council on Pensions and Insurance

Dear Leader Camper,

As Speaker of the House of Representatives, acting pursuant to Tennessee Code Annotated, § 3-9-101(a)(11), I am confirming your appointment to serve as a member of the Council on Pensions and Insurance. Your term commences immediately and will expire November 8, 2022.

I am forwarding a copy of this letter to the Council on Pensions and Insurance. Council staff will be contacting you in the near future regarding this appointment.

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Best Wishes,

/s/ Speaker Cameron Sexton

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### **SPONSORS ADDED**

Under **Rule No. 43**, the following members were permitted to add their names as sponsors as indicated below, the prime sponsor of each having agreed to such addition:

**House Joint Resolution No. 5** Rep. Todd as First prime sponsors.

**House Joint Resolution No. 8** Reps. Eldridge, Mannis, Garrett and Zachary as prime sponsors.

House Joint Resolution No. 40 Reps. Baum and Clemmons as prime sponsors.

House Joint Resolution No. 54 Rep. Mannis as prime sponsor.

House Bill No. 3 Reps. Gant, Weaver and Moody as prime sponsors.

**House Bill No. 7** Rep. Hall as prime sponsor.

House Bill No. 10 Reps. Calfee and Weaver as prime sponsors.

**House Bill No. 11** Rep. Warner as prime sponsor.

House Bill No. 12 Rep. Griffey as prime sponsor.

House Bill No. 16 Rep. Haston as prime sponsor.

House Bill No. 23 Rep. Darby as First prime sponsor.

**House Bill No. 25** Reps. Griffey, Garrett and Grills as prime sponsors.

House Bill No. 26 Rep. Garrett as prime sponsor.

House Bill No. 59 Reps. Mannis and Warner as prime sponsors.

House Bill No. 60 Rep. T. Hicks as Third prime sponsor.

**House Bill No. 61** Rep. Darby as Third prime sponsor.

House Bill No. 62 Rep. Carringer as Third prime sponsor.

**House Bill No. 66** Rep. Doggett as prime sponsor.

House Bill No. 81 Rep. Rudder as prime sponsor.

**House Bill No. 83** Rep. Moon as Third prime sponsor.

**House Bill No. 84** Rep. Mannis as Third prime sponsor.

House Bill No. 86 Rep. Howell as Third prime sponsor.

**House Bill No. 87** Rep. Russell as Third prime sponsor.

House Bill No. 88 Rep. Keisling as Third prime sponsor.

**House Bill No. 89** Rep. Whitson as Third prime sponsor.

House Bill No. 92 Rep. Marsh as prime sponsor.

**House Bill No. 93** Rep. Garrett as Third prime sponsor.

House Bill No. 94 Rep. Boyd as prime sponsor.

House Bill No. 105 Reps. White, Wright and Vaughan as prime sponsors.

House Bill No. 110 Reps. Hall, Ramsey and Calfee as prime sponsors.

House Bill No. 130 Reps. White and Shaw as prime sponsors.

House Bill No. 135 Rep. Griffey as prime sponsor.

House Bill No. 141 Rep. Williams as Third prime sponsor.

House Bill No. 142 Rep. Terry as Third prime sponsor.

House Bill No. 218 Reps. Sherrell and Moody as prime sponsors.

House Bill No. 225 Rep. White as prime sponsor.

House Bill No. 231 Rep. Calfee as prime sponsor.

House Bill No. 430 Rep. Littleton as prime sponsor.

#### **SPONSORS REMOVED**

Under **Rule No. 43**, the following members were removed as co-sponsors as indicated below:

On motion of Rep. Cepicky, Rep. Griffey was removed as sponsor of House Bill No. 5.

## SIGNED January 19, 2021

The Speaker announced that he had signed the following: Senate Joint Resolutions Nos. 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 12, 14, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22 and 23.

TAMMY LETZLER, Chief Clerk

# MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE January 19, 2021

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed to return to the House, House Joint Resolutions Nos. 2, 6, 7, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 27, 28, 29, 35, 37 and 38; concurred in by the Senate.

RUSSELL A. HUMPHREY, Chief Clerk

# **ENROLLED BILLS January 20, 2021**

MR. SPEAKER: Your Chief Engrossing Clerk begs leave to report that we have carefully compared House Joint Resolutions Nos. 2, 6, 7, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 27, 28, 29, 35, 37 and 38; and find same correctly enrolled and ready for the signatures of the Speakers.

GREG GLASS, Chief Engrossing Clerk

## SIGNED January 20, 2021

The Speaker announced that he had signed the following: House Joint Resolutions Nos. 2, 6, 7, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 27, 28, 29, 35, 37 and 38.

GREG GLASS, Chief Engrossing Clerk

## MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE January 20, 2021

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed to return to the House, House Joint Resolutions Nos. 2, 6, 7, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 27, 28, 29, 35, 37 and 38; signed by the Speaker.

RUSSELL A. HUMPHREY, Chief Clerk

# REPORT OF CHIEF ENGROSSING CLERK January 21, 2021

MR. SPEAKER: Your Chief Engrossing Clerk begs leave to report that we have transmitted to the Governor the following: House Joint Resolutions Nos. 2, 6, 7, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 27, 28, 29, 35, 37 and 38; for his action.

GREG GLASS, Chief Engrossing Clerk

## MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR January 22, 2021

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed by the Governor to return herewith: House Joint Resolutions Nos. 2, 6, 7, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 27, 28, 29, 35, 37 and 38; with his approval.

LANG WISEMAN, Deputy and Counsel to the Governor

## MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE February 8, 2021

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed to transmit to the House, Senate Joint Resolutions Nos. 94 and 100; adopted, for the House's action.

RUSSELL A. HUMPHREY, Chief Clerk

\*Senate Joint Resolution No. 94 -- Memorials, Recognition - American Heart Association/National Wear Red Day, February 5, 2021. by \*Gilmore, \*Briggs, \*Akbari, \*Bowling, \*Campbell, \*Kyle, \*Massey, \*Robinson, \*White, \*Bell, \*Crowe, \*Gardenhire, \*Haile, \*Hensley, \*Jackson, \*Johnson, \*Kelsey, \*Lundberg, \*Niceley, \*Pody, \*Powers, \*Reeves, \*Roberts, \*Rose, \*Southerland, \*Stevens, \*Swann, \*Walley, \*Watson, \*Yager, \*Yarbro, \*McNally.

\*Senate Joint Resolution No. 100 -- General Assembly, Statement of Intent or Position - Defines War Memorial Auditorium as chamber of the house of representatives for purpose of state of the state address. by \*Johnson.

#### INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS

On motion, pursuant to **Rule No. 17**, the following resolutions listed were introduced and referred to the appropriate Committee:

\*House Joint Resolution No. 41 -- Constitutional Amendments - Proposes statewide popular election of the Secretary of State rather than appointment by joint vote of the General Assembly. by \*Clemmons.

House State Government Committee

\*House Joint Resolution No. 44 -- Victims' Rights - Proposes an amendment to Article I, Section 35 of the Constitution of Tennessee for the purpose of rewriting the rights of crime victims. by \*Hazlewood, \*Jernigan.

House Criminal Justice Committee

\*House Joint Resolution No. 72 -- Constitutional Amendments - Proposes adding a provision establishing the right to work regardless of status of affiliation with any labor union or employee organization. by \*Todd.

House Commerce Committee

\*House Joint Resolution No. 76 -- Naming and Designating - "Adoption is Love Week" in Tennessee, February 14-20, 2021. by \*Faison, \*Littleton.

House Naming & Designating Committee

#### **RESOLUTIONS**

Pursuant to **Rule No. 17**, the following resolutions were introduced and placed on the Consent Calendar for February 10, 2021:

House Resolution No. 4 -- Memorials, Recognition - Dwight C. Jemison. by \*Hodges.

**House Resolution No. 5** -- Memorials, Recognition - Tennessee recycling industry. by \*Lamberth.

House Resolution No. 6 -- Memorials, Retirement - Bill Miller, by \*Keisling.

House Resolution No. 7 -- Memorials, Death - Willie Beaty. by \*Keisling.

House Resolution No. 8 -- Memorials, Death - Maudean Williams. by \*Keisling.

**House Resolution No. 9** -- Memorials, Recognition - Elizabeth Graham Pistole, Governor's Volunteer Stars Award. by \*Ogles.

**House Resolution No. 10** -- Memorials, Recognition - Terry Crawford, Governor's Volunteer Stars Award. by \*Ogles.

**House Resolution No. 11** -- Memorials, Recognition - Sherri Mitchell-Snider, Governor's Volunteer Stars Award. by \*Ogles.

**House Resolution No. 12** -- Memorials, Recognition - Russell Warsetsky, Governor's Volunteer Stars Award. by \*Ogles.

**House Resolution No. 13** -- Memorials, Retirement - Jim Love of Brown's Diner. by \*Clemmons.

**House Resolution No. 14** -- Memorials, Recognition - Kennedy Brown. by \*Clemmons.

**House Resolution No. 15** -- Memorials, Academic Achievement - Callie Carson, Civics Essay Contest, Eastern Division. by \*Keisling.

**House Resolution No. 16** -- Memorials, Recognition - Tennessee Court Reporting and Captioning Week, February 6-13, 2021. by \*Farmer.

\*House Joint Resolution No. 45 -- Memorials, Death - Jack Wesley Cutshaw, Jr. by \*Moon.

\*House Joint Resolution No. 46 -- Memorials, Death - Charles Bruce Sexton. by \*Keisling.

\*House Joint Resolution No. 47 -- Memorials, Recognition - University of Tennessee Board of Trustees, 2021 John W. Nason Award. by \*Hawk.

\*House Joint Resolution No. 48 -- Memorials, Death - Dr. James LaVirt Netters, Sr. by \*Chism.

- \*House Joint Resolution No. 49 -- Memorials, Death Judge L. Raymond Grimes. by \*Johnson C, \*Reedy, \*Hodges.
  - \*House Joint Resolution No. 50 -- Memorials, Recognition Bill Green. by \*Keisling.
- \*House Joint Resolution No. 51 -- Memorials, Retirement Reverend Margaret Ferguson. by \*Hazlewood.
- \*House Joint Resolution No. 52 -- Memorials, Recognition Melanie Kelso, Governor's Volunteer Stars Award. by \*Marsh.
- \*House Joint Resolution No. 53 -- Memorials, Recognition Brent Pewitt, Governor's Volunteer Stars Award. by \*Marsh.
- \*House Joint Resolution No. 54 -- Memorials, Recognition Tennessee Farm Bureau Federation, 100th anniversary. by \*Lamberth, \*Faison, \*Mannis.
- \*House Joint Resolution No. 55 -- Memorials, Personal Occasion Larry Dodson, Sr., 70th birthday. by \*Camper, \*Chism, \*Parkinson, \*Miller, \*Love, \*McKenzie, \*Harris.
- \*House Joint Resolution No. 56 -- Memorials, Public Service Representative G.A. Hardaway. by \*Parkinson, \*Lamar, \*Miller, \*Hakeem, \*Chism, \*McKenzie, \*Love, \*Camper, \*Dixie, \*Harris, \*Shaw, \*Towns.
- \*House Joint Resolution No. 57 -- Memorials, Public Service Heather Hinds Duncan. by \*Bricken.
- \*House Joint Resolution No. 58 -- Memorials, Personal Occasion Lawrence Dyer, 103rd birthday. by \*Keisling.
  - \*House Joint Resolution No. 59 -- Memorials, Retirement Jeff Ellis, by \*Keisling.
- \*House Joint Resolution No. 60 -- Memorials, Personal Occasion Ralph and Dean Ferguson, 65th wedding anniversary. by \*Keisling.
- \*House Joint Resolution No. 61 -- Memorials, Death Sally Ann Jacobs Wells. by \*Keisling.
- \*House Joint Resolution No. 62 -- Memorials, Recognition Associated Builders and Contractors of Greater Tennessee, 50th anniversary. by \*Lamberth.
- \*House Joint Resolution No. 63 -- Memorials, Sports Connor Henson, Tennessee Sports Writers Association's Division II-A All-State Cross Country Team. by \*Cepicky.
- \*House Joint Resolution No. 64 -- Memorials, Recognition Harold Canada, Governor's Volunteer Stars Award. by \*Marsh, \*Warner.
- \*House Joint Resolution No. 65 -- Memorials, Recognition Keep Nine Amendment to the U.S. Constitution. by \*Lamberth, \*Garrett, \*Cepicky, \*Gant, \*Faison, \*Marsh, \*Weaver, \*Powers.

- \*House Joint Resolution No. 66 -- Memorials, Recognition Judge Jimmy Turner. by \*Terry.
- \*House Joint Resolution No. 67 -- Memorials, Recognition Susan R. Wente. by \*Terry.
  - \*House Joint Resolution No. 68 -- Memorials, Sports Jesse Jennings. by \*Doggett.
- \*House Joint Resolution No. 69 -- Memorials, Death Reverend Ronnie Arnold. by \*Powers.
- \*House Joint Resolution No. 70 -- Memorials, Recognition Second Presbyterian Church, 150th anniversary, by \*Smith.
- \*House Joint Resolution No. 71 -- Memorials, Recognition Run for the Wall Week. by \*Marsh.
- \*House Joint Resolution No. 73 -- Memorials, Recognition Holly Lynn Murphy. by \*Garrett, \*Kumar.
  - \*House Joint Resolution No. 74 -- Memorials, Sports Morgan Cox. by \*Gillespie.
- \*House Joint Resolution No. 75 -- Memorials, Death Ronald Lee Grubbs, Sr. by \*Alexander.
  - \*House Joint Resolution No. 77 -- Memorials, Sports Tanner Hudson. by \*Griffey.
- \*House Joint Resolution No. 78 -- Memorials, Death Representative David Shepard. by \*Littleton, \*Curcio.

# SENATE JOINT RESOLUTIONS (Congratulatory and Memorializing)

Pursuant to **Rule No. 17**, the resolution listed was noted as being placed on the Consent Calendar for February 10, 2021:

\*Senate Joint Resolution No. 94 -- Memorials, Recognition - American Heart Association/National Wear Red Day, February 5, 2021. by \*Gilmore, \*Briggs, \*Akbari, \*Bowling, \*Campbell, \*Kyle, \*Massey, \*Robinson, \*White, \*Bell, \*Crowe, \*Gardenhire, \*Haile, \*Hensley, \*Jackson, \*Johnson, \*Kelsey, \*Lundberg, \*Niceley, \*Pody, \*Powers, \*Reeves, \*Roberts, \*Rose, \*Southerland, \*Stevens, \*Swann, \*Walley, \*Watson, \*Yager, \*Yarbro, \*McNally.

#### **INTRODUCTION OF BILLS**

On motion, the following bills were introduced and passed first consideration:

\*House Bill No. 209 -- Election Laws - As introduced, authorizes up to two members of an LLC that owns property in a city to vote in the city's elections. - Amends TCA Title 2, Chapter 2. by \*Wright.

- \*House Bill No. 210 -- Education, Curriculum As introduced, requires an LEA to publish curriculum implemented pursuant to standards adopted by the state board on the LEA's website; requires the LEA to update the website with any changes made to the curriculum at the beginning of each semester. Amends TCA Title 49, Chapter 2. by \*Carringer, \*Ragan.
- \*House Bill No. 211 -- Education As introduced, extends eligibility for the work-based learning student grant program to include students enrolled in a middle college program. Amends TCA Title 49, Chapter 11, Part 9. by \*Carringer, \*Ragan.
- \*House Bill No. 212 -- Local Education Agencies As introduced, authorizes LEAs to develop and implement a "Stop the Bleed" program and provides limited civil immunity to LEAs, schools, and LEA employees for personal injuries resulting from the use of items in a bleeding control kit; establishes requirements for the program. Amends TCA Title 49, Chapter 1; Title 49, Chapter 2 and Title 49, Chapter 6. by \*Clemmons.
- \*House Bill No. 213 -- Veterinarians As introduced, authorizes members of the board of veterinary medical examiners to be reappointed for successive terms; clarifies the definition of "veterinary facility" to be a building, place, or mobile unit from which the practice of veterinary medicine is conducted. Amends TCA Title 63, Chapter 12 and Title 68, Chapter 8. by \*Halford.
- \*House Bill No. 214 -- Agriculture As introduced, creates an advisory task force of farmers and foresters to lead a strategic planning process and resulting implementation plan to position this state as a leading hub for agtech and value-added agriculture; requires a report to the general assembly no later than August 31, 2022. Amends TCA Title 4; Title 11, Chapter 4; Title 43; Title 44; Title 49 and Title 67. by \*Halford.
- \*House Bill No. 215 -- Drug and Alcohol Rehabilitation As introduced, enacts the "Stopping Addiction and Fostering Excellence (SAFE) Act." Amends TCA Title 6; Title 33; Title 47; Title 63 and Title 68. by \*Curcio.
- \*House Bill No. 216 -- Children's Services, Dept. of As introduced, authorizes a child found to be delinquent to be placed into probation for an indefinite period as long as probation is in the best interest of the child; removes requirement that a court review the case of each delinquent child placed in the department's custody at least every six months; allows child to stay in the department's custody until the necessary treatment or services have been completed. Amends TCA Title 37; Title 39 and Title 40. by \*Curcio.
- \*House Bill No. 217 -- Bail, Bail Bonds As introduced, specifies the continuing education credits required for persons acting as a bounty hunter; expands persons prohibited from serving as a bounty hunter in this state; allows for termination of monitoring services for failure to pay; and restricts clothing and representations of a professional bondsman. Amends TCA Title 40, Chapter 11. by \*Curcio.
- \*House Bill No. 218 -- Sentencing As introduced, requires that a person convicted of facilitation of rape of a child or aggravated rape of a child be sentenced to community supervision for life and to serve 100 percent of the sentence imposed before becoming eligible for release, with no more than 15 percent in sentence reduction credits. Amends TCA Title 39 and Title 40. by \*Lamberth, \*Sherrell, \*Moody.

- \*House Bill No. 219 -- Education, Dept. of As introduced, changes, from November 1 to November 15, the date by which the commissioner's annual report must be published. Amends TCA Title 49, Chapter 1, Part 2. by \*Whitson.
- \*House Bill No. 220 -- Capitol As introduced, requires the placement of a monument or statue honoring David Crockett on a pedestal above the entrance to Motlow Tunnel; prohibits the use of state funds for the relocation of any existing structures. Amends TCA Title 4. by \*Hawk.
- \*House Bill No. 221 -- Controlled Substances As introduced, requires a court to grant judicial diversion for possession of less than one ounce of marijuana, regardless of a defendant's prior criminal convictions. Amends TCA Title 39 and Title 40. by \*Chism.
- \*House Bill No. 222 -- Prisons and Reformatory Institutions As introduced, prohibits the removal of pregnant prisoners to a state penitentiary or branch prison for safekeeping; prohibits solitary confinement of pregnant prisoners. Amends TCA Title 39; Title 40 and Title 41. by \*Chism.
- \*House Bill No. 223 -- Juvenile Offenders As introduced, enacts the "Juvenile Justice Stop Solitary Confinement Act." Amends TCA Title 37 and Title 41, Chapter 4. by \*Chism.
- \*House Bill No. 224 -- Juvenile Offenders As introduced, requires youth development centers, jails, and the department of correction to provide free telephone calls between minors and their parent or guardian. Amends TCA Title 37 and Title 41. by \*Chism.
- **House Bill No. 225** -- Education As introduced, specifies that local boards of education and governing bodies of public charter schools, as applicable, have the sole authority to open or close schools during a public health emergency. Amends TCA Title 49; Title 58 and Title 68. by \*Vaughan, \*White.
- \*House Bill No. 226 -- Health Care As introduced, authorizes medical laboratory directors to monitor personnel remotely; creates exceptions to the Tennessee Medical Laboratory Act for pharmacies and private laboratories; redefines "waived" as it applies to the Act. Amends TCA Title 4 and Title 68, Chapter 29. by \*Vaughan.
- \*House Bill No. 227 -- Water Pollution As introduced, authorizes the department of environment and conservation to take certain actions to ensure that in-lieu fee sponsors secure mitigation for permanent impacts to waters. Amends TCA Title 69, Chapter 3, Part 1. by \*Vaughan.
- **House Bill No. 228** -- Health Care As introduced, authorizes a home health service to provide care in accordance with orders recorded by an advanced practice nurse or physician assistant in addition to those recorded by a physician; authorizes electronic transmission of orders from an advanced practice nurse or physician assistant. Amends TCA Title 4; Title 63 and Title 68. by \*Vaughan.
- \*House Bill No. 229 -- Planning, Public As introduced, establishes a process for notifying developers regarding the location of natural gas pipelines and easements for such pipelines for purposes of breaking ground on residential and nonresidential developments, and further provides pipeline operators with notice of such developments for purposes of complying with applicable federal law. Amends TCA Title 13 and Title 65, Chapter 31. by \*Vaughan.

- \*House Bill No. 230 -- Equalization Board As introduced, removes discretion of county boards of equalization to not hold complaint hearings virtually if each participant in the hearing has an opportunity to participate in, to hear, and, if technically feasible, to see the entire proceedings while taking place. Amends TCA Section 67-5-1407. by \*Vaughan.
- \*House Bill No. 231 -- Health Care As introduced, reduces from 30 days to 25 days the time within which a health care institution must notify the health services and development agency of a change of ownership and provide documentation of the commitment from the subsequent owner to comply with all conditions placed on the original certificate of need and on the license. Amends TCA Title 4 and Title 68. by \*Vaughan, \*Calfee.
- **House Bill No. 232** -- Budget Procedures As introduced, deletes the statutory requirement that the governor submit the budget bills for introduction in both houses of the general assembly no later than 14 days after the budget document is transmitted or by the general bill cut-off date in the respective houses, whichever is later. Amends TCA Title 9, Chapter 4. by \*Hazlewood.
- \*House Bill No. 233 -- Marriage As introduced, deletes statutes on marriage licensing and ceremonies; limits the jurisdiction of circuit courts and chancery courts in cases involving the definition of common law marriage to the principles of common law marriage. Amends TCA Title 8; Title 10; Title 16; Title 36; Title 39; Title 67 and Title 68. by \*Leatherwood.
- \*House Bill No. 234 -- Traffic Safety As introduced, clarifies that the existing requirement for drivers of motorcycles to wear a helmet applies to drivers of autocycles that are not fully enclosed. Amends TCA Title 55, Chapter 9, Part 3. by \*Russell.
- \*House Bill No. 235 -- Purchasing and Procurement As introduced, increases from \$10,000 or more to \$25,000 or more, the amount for which a local board of education or the governing body of a public charter school must make purchases or expenditures by competitive bids. Amends TCA Section 12-3-1212; Section 49-13-111 and Section 49-2-203. by \*Littleton.
- \*House Bill No. 236 -- Driver Licenses As introduced, authorizes entities contracting with the department of safety for the issuance of driver licenses to charge an additional \$1.00 fee per driver license issued; requires the department to distribute to contracting entities \$3.00 per each REAL ID compliant driver license issued to be used by the entity for administrative costs until June 30, 2022. Amends TCA Section 55-50-331. by \*Littleton.
- \*House Bill No. 237 -- Child Custody and Support As introduced, requires a court to include written findings of fact and conclusions of law to support a custody arrangement or parenting plan, unless both parents have agreed; requires the department of children's services to consider a child's other parent before kinship foster care when placing a child who has been removed from one parent's home. Amends TCA Title 36 and Title 37. by \*Littleton.
- \*House Bill No. 238 -- Telecommunications As introduced, requires the Tennessee public utility commission to post an electronic version of the most recent annual report to its website in a manner that is accessible by the general public. Amends TCA Title 4; Title 7; Title 12; Title 13; Title 35, Chapter 8, Part 1; Title 47, Chapter 18; Title 54; Title 55; Title 65; Title 66; Title 67 and Title 68. by \*Marsh.

- \*House Bill No. 239 -- Health Care As introduced, authorizes certain cancer patients to possess and use full extract cannabis oil that is intended to be ingested orally or used topically if certain criteria are met and documentation maintained. Amends TCA Title 39, Chapter 17, Part 4; Title 63 and Title 68. by \*Ramsey.
- \*House Bill No. 240 -- Jails, Local Lock-ups As introduced, authorizes state community colleges and state colleges of applied technology to assist local governments with providing programs to reduce recidivism rates; authorizes the board of regents to contract with officials to develop reentry programs for criminal offenders; permits counties to develop and operate transition centers pursuant to interlocal agreements. Amends TCA Title 5, Chapter 9, Part 1; Title 49, Chapter 8 and Title 49, Chapter 11. by \*Ramsey.
- \*House Bill No. 241 -- Alcoholic Beverages As introduced, authorizes, for a period of three years, persons and entities licensed to sell liquor and beer by the drink for consumption on the premises to sell alcoholic beverages and beer for off-premise consumption if certain requirements are met. Amends TCA Title 57. by \*Ramsey.
- \*House Bill No. 242 -- Domestic Violence As introduced, specifies that the domestic violence state coordinating council's annual report on the council's activities to the department of finance and administration office of criminal justice programs, the governor, and the chief clerk of the senate, and the chief clerk of the house of representatives may be provided by electronic mail. Amends TCA Title 4; Title 8; Title 36; Title 38 and Title 39. by \*Ramsey.
- \*House Bill No. 243 -- Boards and Commissions As introduced, extends, from June 30, 2021, to June 30, 2024, the termination date of the stroke best practices and treatment guidelines task force. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 68, Chapter 1, Part 6. by \*Ramsey.
- \*House Bill No. 244 -- Alcoholic Beverage Commission As introduced, changes from March 1 to February 15 the date by which the executive director of the commission must file an annual report concerning rules promulgated during the prior year with the state and local government committee of the senate and the state government committee of the house of representatives. Amends TCA Title 57. by \*Ramsey.
- \*House Bill No. 245 -- Alcoholic Beverages As introduced, redesignates the South Jackson Civic Center in Tullahoma from a premier type tourist resort to a community theater for purposes of selling alcoholic beverages on the premises. Amends TCA Section 57-4-102. by \*Bricken.
- **House Bill No. 246** -- Election Laws As introduced, requires municipal legislative bodies to change the dates of municipal elections to coincide with the August primary and November general elections. Amends TCA Title 2; Title 5 and Title 6. by \*Bricken.
- \*House Bill No. 247 -- Governor As introduced, requires the governor to notify the speakers of the senate and house of representatives at least five days prior to the renewal of a declaration of a state of emergency. Amends TCA Title 8, Chapter 1 and Title 58. by \*Zachary.
- \*House Bill No. 248 -- Public Health As introduced, requires the county health officer to have been licensed to practice for at least four years. Amends TCA Title 4; Title 5; Title 58 and Title 68. by \*Zachary.

- \*House Bill No. 249 -- Public Health As introduced, reduces the term for county board of health members from four years to three years. Amends TCA Title 4; Title 5; Title 58 and Title 68. by \*Zachary.
- \*House Bill No. 250 -- Public Health As introduced, reduces from 60 days to 30 days the time period after an action, in which a chief administrative official of a hospital must report a disciplinary action taken against a person licensed under Title 63 or Title 68, when the disciplinary action is related to professional ethics, professional incompetence or negligence, moral turpitude, or drug or alcohol abuse. by \*Zachary.
- \*House Bill No. 251 -- Health, Dept. of As introduced, changes the date from February 1 to February 15 each odd-numbered year that the department must submit its report on diabetes to the health committee of the house of representatives and the health and welfare committee of the senate. Amends TCA Title 4; Title 5 and Title 68. by \*Zachary.
- \*House Bill No. 252 -- Professions and Occupations As introduced, requires persons working with certain electrical equipment to meet certain requirements; makes that electrical equipment subject to inspection by a state-certified electrical inspector; prohibits liability against certain electric systems arising from those persons working with that electrical equipment; requires that copies of the national standards be available for public viewing. Amends TCA Section 68-101-104. by \*Hazlewood.
- **House Bill No. 253** -- Sunset Laws As introduced, extends the private probation services council to June 30, 2025. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 16, Chapter 3, Part 9. by \*Ragan.
- **House Bill No. 254** -- Sunset Laws As introduced, extends the regional transportation authority of Middle Tennessee to June 30, 2024. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 64, Chapter 8. by \*Ragan.
- **House Bill No. 255** -- Sunset Laws As introduced, extends the second look commission to June 30, 2025. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 37, Chapter 3, Part 8. by \*Ragan.
- **House Bill No. 256** -- Sunset Laws As introduced, extends the advisory council on workers' compensation to June 30, 2025. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 50, Chapter 6. by \*Ragan.
- **House Bill No. 257** -- Sunset Laws As introduced, extends the alcoholic beverage commission to June 30, 2027; requires the commission to report back to the government operations subcommittee by December 31, 2021 for an update of the findings on the 2020 performance audit. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 57, Chapter 1. by \*Ragan.
- **House Bill No. 258** -- Sunset Laws As introduced, extends the Austin Peay State University, board of trustees, to June 30, 2027. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 49, Chapter 8. by \*Ragan.
- **House Bill No. 259** -- Sunset Laws As introduced, extends the beef promotion board to June 30, 2029. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 43, Chapter 29. by \*Ragan.

- **House Bill No. 260** -- Sunset Laws As introduced, extends the board of chiropractic examiners to June 30, 2026. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 63, Chapter 4. by \*Ragan.
- **House Bill No. 261** -- Sunset Laws As introduced, extends the board of communication disorders and sciences to June 30, 2026. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 63, Chapter 17. by \*Ragan.
- **House Bill No. 262** -- Sunset Laws As introduced, extends the board of dentistry to June 30, 2026. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 63, Chapter 5. by \*Ragan.
- **House Bill No. 263** -- Sunset Laws As introduced, extends the board of dispensing opticians to June 30, 2026. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 63, Chapter 14. by \*Ragan.
- **House Bill No. 264** -- Sunset Laws As introduced, extends the board of examiners in psychology to June 30, 2026. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 63, Chapter 11. by \*Ragan.
- **House Bill No. 265** -- Sunset Laws As introduced, extends the board of medical examiners' committee on physician assistants to June 30, 2026. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 63, Chapter 19. by \*Ragan.
- **House Bill No. 266** -- Sunset Laws As introduced, extends the South Central Tennessee human resource agency to June 30, 2027. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 13, Chapter 26. by \*Ragan.
- **House Bill No. 267** -- Sunset Laws As introduced, extends the board of nursing to June 30, 2026. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 63, Chapter 7. by \*Ragan.
- **House Bill No. 268** -- Sunset Laws As introduced, extends the board of optometry to June 30, 2026. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 63, Chapter 8. by \*Ragan.
- **House Bill No. 269** -- Sunset Laws As introduced, extends the board of podiatric medical examiners to June 30, 2026. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 63, Chapter 3. by \*Ragan.
- **House Bill No. 270** -- Sunset Laws As introduced, extends the board of veterinary medical examiners to June 30, 2026. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 63, Chapter 12. by \*Ragan.
- **House Bill No. 271** -- Sunset Laws As introduced, extends the bureau of ethics and campaign finance to June 30, 2027. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 4, Chapter 55. by \*Ragan.
- **House Bill No. 272** -- Sunset Laws As introduced, updates the name, from committee for purchase from the blind and other severely disabled to committee for providing competitive integrated employment for individuals with severe disabilities; extends the committee to June 30, 2026. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 71, Chapter 4. by \*Ragan.

- **House Bill No. 273** -- Sunset Laws As introduced, extends the delta human resource agency to June 30, 2026. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 13, Chapter 26. by \*Ragan.
- **House Bill No. 274** -- Sunset Laws As introduced, extends the department of economic and community development to June 30, 2025. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 4, Chapter 3. by \*Ragan.
- **House Bill No. 275** -- Sunset Laws As introduced, extends the department of financial institutions to June 30, 2025. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 4, Chapter 3. by \*Ragan.
- **House Bill No. 276** -- Sunset Laws As introduced, extends the department of mental health and substance abuse services to June 30, 2025. Amends TCA Title 4 and Title 33. by \*Ragan.
- **House Bill No. 277** -- Sunset Laws As introduced, extends the East Tennessee human resource agency to June 30, 2026. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 13, Chapter 26. by \*Ragan.
- **House Bill No. 278** -- Sunset Laws As introduced, extends the East Tennessee State University, board of trustees to June 30, 2027. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 49, Chapter 8. by \*Ragan.
- **House Bill No. 279** -- Sunset Laws As introduced, terminates the egg promotion board with no wind down period. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 43, Chapter 29. by \*Ragan.
- **House Bill No. 280** -- Sunset Laws As introduced, extends the emergency communications board to June 30, 2025. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 7, Chapter 86. by \*Ragan.
- **House Bill No. 281** -- Sunset Laws As introduced, extends the First Tennessee human resource agency to June 30, 2026. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 13, Chapter 26. by \*Ragan.
- **House Bill No. 282** -- Sunset Laws As introduced, extends the James K. Polk memorial association to June 30, 2027. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 13, Part 2 and Title 4, Chapter 29. by \*Ragan.
- **House Bill No. 283** -- Sunset Laws As introduced, extends the Mid-Cumberland human resource agency to June 30, 2026. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 13, Chapter 26. by \*Ragan.
- **House Bill No. 284** -- Sunset Laws As introduced, extends the Middle Tennessee State University, board of trustees to June 30, 2027. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 49, Chapter 8. by \*Ragan.
- **House Bill No. 285** -- Sunset Laws As introduced, extends the Northwest Tennessee human resource agency to June 30, 2026. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 13, Chapter 26. by \*Ragan.

- **House Bill No. 286** -- Sunset Laws As introduced, extends the occupational safety and health review commission to June 30, 2027. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 50, Chapter 3. by \*Ragan.
- **House Bill No. 287** -- Sunset Laws As introduced, extends the Ocoee River recreation and economic development fund board to June 30, 2028. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 11, Chapter 8. by \*Ragan.
- **House Bill No. 288** -- Sunset Laws As introduced, extends the pork promotion board to June 30, 2029. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 43, Chapter 29. by \*Ragan.
- **House Bill No. 289** -- Sunset Laws As introduced, extends the Southeast Tennessee human resource agency to June 30, 2027. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 13, Chapter 26. by \*Ragan.
- **House Bill No. 290** -- Sunset Laws As introduced, extends the Southeastern Interstate Forest Fire Protection Compact to June 30, 2027. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 11, Chapter 4. by \*Ragan.
- **House Bill No. 291** -- Sunset Laws As introduced, extends the Southwest Tennessee human resource agency to June 30, 2026. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 13, Chapter 26. by \*Ragan.
- **House Bill No. 292** -- Sunset Laws As introduced, extends the state Alzheimer's disease and related dementia advisory council to June 30, 2026. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 71, Chapter 2. by \*Ragan.
- **House Bill No. 293** -- Sunset Laws As introduced, extends the state board of equalization to June 30, 2027. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 4, Chapter 3, Part 51. by \*Ragan.
- **House Bill No. 294** -- Sunset Laws As introduced, extends the state board of examiners for land surveyors to June 30, 2027. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 62, Chapter 18. by \*Ragan.
- **House Bill No. 295** -- Sunset Laws As introduced, extends the state forestry commission to June 30, 2027. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 11, Chapter 4. by \*Ragan.
- **House Bill No. 296** -- Sunset Laws As introduced, extends the state TennCare pharmacy advisory committee to June 30, 2027. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 71, Chapter 5, Part 24. by \*Ragan.
- **House Bill No. 297** -- Sunset Laws As introduced, extends the state textbook and instructional materials quality commission to June 30, 2023; requires the commission to report back to the government operations committee no later than December 31, 2021, to update the committee on its progress in addressing the committee's concerns about the commission's answers to questions submitted to it by the division of audit. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 49, Chapter 6, Part 22. by \*Ragan.

- **House Bill No. 298** -- Sunset Laws As introduced, extends the statewide community services agency to June 30, 2023. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 37, Chapter 5, Part 3. by \*Ragan.
- **House Bill No. 299** -- Sunset Laws As introduced, extends the Tennessee advisory commission on intergovernmental relations to June 30, 2029. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 10 and Title 4, Chapter 29. by \*Ragan.
- **House Bill No. 300** -- Sunset Laws As introduced, extends the Tennessee aeronautics commission to June 30, 2027. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 42, Chapter 2, Part 3. by \*Ragan.
- **House Bill No. 301** -- Sunset Laws As introduced, extends the Tennessee athletic commission to June 30, 2025. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 68, Chapter 115. by \*Ragan.
- **House Bill No. 302** -- Sunset Laws As introduced, extends the board of judicial conduct to June 30, 2025; requires the board to appear before the government operations joint evaluation committee on judiciary and government no later than December 31, 2021, to provide the committee an update on board-related activities. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 17, Chapter 5. by \*Ragan.
- **House Bill No. 303** -- Sunset Laws As introduced, extends the Tennessee bureau of investigation to June 30, 2025. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 38, Chapter 6. by \*Ragan.
- **House Bill No. 304** -- Sunset Laws As introduced, extends the Tennessee council for career and technical education to June 30, 2026. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 49, Chapter 11. by \*Ragan.
- **House Bill No. 305** -- Sunset Laws As introduced, extends the Tennessee council on autism spectrum disorder to June 30, 2026. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 4, Chapter 3, Part 27. by \*Ragan.
- **House Bill No. 306** -- Sunset Laws As introduced, extends the Tennessee dairy promotion committee to June 30, 2029. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 44, Chapter 19. by \*Ragan.
- **House Bill No. 307** -- Sunset Laws As introduced, extends the Tennessee financial literacy commission to June 30, 2027. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 49, Chapter 6, Part 17. by \*Ragan.
- **House Bill No. 308** -- Sunset Laws As introduced, extends the Tennessee public school charter commission to June 30, 2023. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 49, Chapter 13. by \*Ragan.
- **House Bill No. 309** -- Sunset Laws As introduced, extends the Tennessee public utility commission to June 30, 2027. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 65, Chapter 1. by \*Ragan.

- **House Bill No. 310** -- Sunset Laws As introduced, extends the Tennessee soybean promotion board to June 30, 2029. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 43, Chapter 20. by \*Ragan.
- **House Bill No. 311** -- Sunset Laws As introduced, extends the Tennessee State University, board of trustees to June 30, 2023. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 49, Chapter 8. by \*Ragan.
- **House Bill No. 312** -- Sunset Laws As introduced, extends the Tennessee Technological University, board of trustees to June 30, 2025. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 49, Chapter 8. by \*Ragan.
- **House Bill No. 313** -- Sunset Laws As introduced, extends the Tennessee technology development corporation to June 30, 2025. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 14, Part 3 and Title 4, Chapter 29. by \*Ragan.
- **House Bill No. 314** -- Sunset Laws As introduced, extends the Tennessee wine and grape board to June 30, 2025. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 57, Chapter 3, Part 11. by \*Ragan.
- **House Bill No. 315** -- Sunset Laws As introduced, extends the University of Memphis, board of trustees to June 30, 2027. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 49, Chapter 8. by \*Ragan.
- **House Bill No. 316** -- Sunset Laws As introduced, extends the Upper Cumberland human resource agency to June 30, 2026. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 13, Chapter 26. by \*Ragan.
- **House Bill No. 317** -- Sunset Laws As introduced, extends the department of children's services to June 30, 2023. Amends TCA Title 4 and Title 37, Chapter 5. by \*Ragan.
- **House Bill No. 318** -- Sunset Laws As introduced, extends the statewide planning and policy council for the department of mental health and substance abuse services to June 30, 2025. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 33, Chapter 1, Part 4. by \*Ragan.
- **House Bill No. 319** -- Sunset Laws As introduced, extends the consumer advocate division in the office of the attorney general and reporter to June 30, 2023. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 65, Chapter 4. by \*Ragan.
- \*House Bill No. 320 -- Sunset Laws As introduced, adds the Greater Nashville regional council to the Tennessee governmental review and extends the council to June 30, 2023. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 64, Chapter 7. by \*Ragan.
- \*House Bill No. 321 -- Sunset Laws As introduced, adds the Tennessee corn promotion board to the Tennessee governmental review and extends the board to June 30, 2023. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 43, Chapter 29. by \*Ragan.
- \*House Bill No. 322 -- Veterans As introduced, requires that 100-percent service disabled veterans be offered up to three overnight stays, consisting of up to three days per stay, per year at state parks. Amends TCA Title 11, Chapter 3. by \*Hodges.

- **House Bill No. 323** -- Children's Services, Dept. of As introduced, allows a juvenile who has been adjudicated delinquent for conduct that, if committed by an adult, would constitute certain offenses to be committed to the department for a period of one year. Amends TCA Title 37, Chapter 1, Part 1 and Title 39, Chapter 13. by \*Hodges.
- \*House Bill No. 324 -- Education, State Board of As introduced, establishes the grading scale that must be used to assign letter grades to students enrolled in grades nine through 12 for purposes of reporting students' grades for postsecondary financial assistance; specifies that the state board or an LEA may develop a grading system for purposes other than reporting students' grades for postsecondary financial assistance. Amends TCA Title 49. by \*Hodges.
- \*House Bill No. 325 -- Sentencing As introduced, creates a DUI monitoring indigency fund that is separate from the electronic monitoring indigency fund. Amends TCA Title 39; Title 40; Title 55 and Title 69. by \*Curcio.
- \*House Bill No. 326 -- Child Custody and Support As introduced, removes custody, visitation, or inheritance rights for a parent who has been convicted of aggravated statutory rape, statutory rape by an authority figure, or lesser included offenses of rape, from which crime the child was conceived. Amends TCA Title 36, Chapter 6. by \*Moody.
- \*House Bill No. 327 -- County Government As introduced, authorizes a county commissioner to participate in a scheduled commission meeting by electronic means if the commissioner is out of the county for work, is dealing with a family or medical emergency, or has been called into military service. Amends TCA Title 5; Title 6; Title 7 and Title 8, Chapter 44. by \*Wright.
- \*House Bill No. 328 -- Law Enforcement As introduced, requires law enforcement officers to undergo training on the proper testing procedures for use in investigating cases of suspected driving under the influence as part of the annual in-service training required for certifications that occur on or after January 1, 2022. Amends TCA Title 38, Chapter 8 and Title 55, Chapter 10, Part 4. by \*Howell.
- **House Bill No. 329** -- Personal Property As introduced, clarifies that the Tennessee Self-Service Storage Facility Act applies to transportable storage structures or containers. Amends TCA Title 47 and Title 66. by \*Crawford.
- **House Bill No. 330** -- Taxes, Sales As introduced, increases, from 30 to 35 years, the maximum time period during which a certain portion of state sales taxes are allocated and distributed to a municipality or industrial development corporation that finances development of an extraordinary retail or tourism facility project in a certified border region retail tourism development district. Amends TCA Title 7, Chapter 40. by \*Helton.
- **House Bill No. 331** -- Motor Vehicles, Titling and Registration As introduced, clarifies that a lienor is required to send notice of a discharged lien to the department of revenue on the date the lien is discharged and that the department must be notified of the discharge within 72 hours of the date of discharge. Amends TCA Title 55, Chapter 3. by \*Helton.

**House Bill No. 332** -- Local Education Agencies - As introduced, requires, subject to certain exceptions, a public school to credit a student who participates in an activity or program sponsored by 4-H as present for attendance purposes. - Amends TCA Title 49, Chapter 6, Part 30. by \*Alexander, \*Faison.

\*House Bill No. 333 -- TennCare - As introduced, grants the comptroller of the treasury the option to report the annual actuarial study of the TennCare program, as well as the oral and written comments to the final study, to the applicable legislative committees in an electronic format. - Amends TCA Title 4; Title 56 and Title 71. by \*Hicks G.

\*House Bill No. 334 -- Death - As introduced, imposes requirements on the operation of alkaline hydrolysis facilities and the use of alkaline hydrolysis in this state. - Amends TCA Title 62, Chapter 5. by \*Hicks G.

\*House Bill No. 335 -- Firefighters - As introduced, adds leukemia and testicular cancer to the list of cancers for which a presumption is created that certain conditions or impairments of full-time firefighters caused by leukemia, testicular cancer, or other listed cancers arose out of employment unless the contrary is shown by competent medical evidence. - Amends TCA Section 7-51-201. by \*Hicks G.

**House Bill No. 336** -- Taxes, Exemption and Credits - As introduced, until July 1, 2027, lowers, from \$500,000 to \$100,000, the amount of the required capital investment to be made by a business engaged in an enterprise located in an adventure tourism district to qualify for a job tax credit; until July 1, 2027, reduces the minimum job creation threshold the business must meet to qualify for the tax credit from 20 jobs to 10 jobs, if located in a tier 3 enhancement county, and from 10 jobs to five jobs, if located in a tier 4 enhancement county. - Amends TCA Title 11, Chapter 11, Part 2 and Section 67-4-2109. by \*Hicks G.

\*House Bill No. 337 -- Civil Procedure - As introduced, requires a court-appointed attorney to review all pro se civil action pleadings to determine whether the action is meritorious; requires all pro se litigants in civil actions to post a security bond of up to \$100,000; requires that payment of the security bond be made from the state general fund if the plaintiff is proceeding without representation and in forma pauperis; requires dismissal of the civil action pleading with prejudice if the reviewing court-appointed attorney determines the action is without merit or if the plaintiff is unable to pay the security bond. - Amends TCA Title 20 and Title 29, Chapter 41. by \*Campbell.

**House Bill No. 338** -- Probation and Parole - As introduced, provides that if a prisoner is granted parole based on the requirement that the prisoner complete a pre-release program, class, coursework, or other activity, and the program, class, coursework, or activity cannot be commenced at no fault of the prisoner within one month of parole, the board must immediately release the prisoner under GPS monitoring pending completion of an eligible community-based program based on a risk and needs assessment. - Amends TCA Title 40, Chapter 28. by \*Jernigan.

\*House Bill No. 339 -- Alcoholic Beverages - As introduced, authorizes Gaylord Springs Golf Links to seek a caterer license and to grant a franchise for purposes of consumption of alcoholic beverages on the premises; designates the Wildhorse Saloon as a restaurant for purposes of consumption of alcoholic beverages on the premises; authorizes the General Jackson Showboat to sell alcoholic beverages for consumption on the premises of its principal dock. - Amends TCA Title 57, Chapter 4. by \*Jernigan.

- \*House Bill No. 340 -- Children As introduced, requires that an audiovisual recording be made of any interrogation of a child who has been taken into custody on suspicion that the child committed a delinquent act or unruly conduct; states that the requirement may not be waived. Amends TCA Title 37. by \*Lamar.
- \*House Bill No. 341 -- Sexual Offenders As introduced, expands the sexual offenses for which a defendant is required to submit to an evaluation for and be subject to a standardized plan of sex offender treatment as part of the defendant's sentence. Amends TCA Title 39, Chapter 13, Part 7. by \*Littleton, \*Moody, \*Gillespie, \*Rudder, \*Eldridge, \*Carter, \*Curcio, \*Garrett, \*Cepicky, \*Mannis.
- **House Bill No. 342** -- Criminal Offenses As introduced, requires a law enforcement officer to notify the department of children's services when a person under 18 years of age is taken into custody for suspicion of committing the offense of prostitution. Amends TCA Title 39, Chapter 13, Part 5. by \*Littleton, \*Moody, \*Gillespie, \*Rudder, \*Eldridge, \*Carter, \*Curcio, \*Garrett, \*Cepicky, \*Mannis.
- **House Bill No. 343** -- Telecommunications As introduced, requires TACIR to annually report, instead of only report once, on the impact of the Competitive Wireless Broadband Investment, Deployment, and Safety Act of 2018. Amends TCA Title 4; Title 7; Title 13; Title 65 and Title 66. by \*Wright.
- \*House Bill No. 344 -- Housing As introduced, revises the definition of "blighted area" for purposes of redevelopment projects by housing authorities; clarifies that housing authorities may acquire real property without using eminent domain; authorizes housing authorities to pay more than fair market value for properties that are not blighted but that are in a blighted area. Amends TCA Title 13, Chapter 20; Title 13, Chapter 21 and Title 29, Chapter 17. by \*Carr, \*Faison.
- \*House Bill No. 345 -- Elder Abuse As introduced, recreates the elder abuse task force, which was terminated and dissolved January 15, 2021; extends date for the task force to submit its findings and recommendations to the governor and general assembly to January 15, 2022. Amends TCA Title 71, Chapter 6, Part 1. by \*Carr.
- **House Bill No. 346** -- Driver Licenses As introduced, adds the NAVPERS-660 honorable discharge certificate to the list of documents that may be submitted by an honorably discharged veteran who requests to have the "veteran" designation on a driver license. Amends TCA Title 55, Chapter 50, Part 3. by \*Calfee.
- \*House Bill No. 347 -- Public Records As introduced, makes confidential certain personal, financial, and residential information of federal law enforcement agents and officers conducting operations in this state in the same manner that such information is confidential for state and local law enforcement officers and agents. Amends TCA Title 10, Chapter 7, Part 5; Title 38 and Title 39. by \*Johnson C.
- \*House Bill No. 348 -- Alcoholic Beverages As introduced, reduces from two to one the number of credible witnesses who must be present when a law enforcement officer destroys an illegal distillery, still, fermenting equipment, or related property. Amends amend TCA Title 57. by \*Johnson C.

- \*House Bill No. 349 -- Alcoholic Beverages As introduced, extends from five to 10 days the amount of time a law enforcement officer has to file a written informational statement with the county court clerk after taking possession of illicit intoxicating liquors. Amends TCA Title 57. by \*Johnson C.
- \*House Bill No. 350 -- Public Utilities As introduced, authorizes the Tennessee public utilities commission to keep electronic copies of minutes and official documents. Amends TCA Title 4; Title 5; Title 6; Title 7; Title 28; Title 64; Title 65; Title 67; Title 68 and Title 69. by \*Marsh.
- \*House Bill No. 351 -- Health Care As introduced, increases, from 60 to 75 days after the close of the fiscal year, the period of time within which the department of health must submit an annual report to the governor and members of the general assembly detailing the operations, expenditures of funds, statistics, and rules under the Medical Assistance Act of 1968. Amends TCA Title 4; Title 33; Title 56 and Title 71. by \*Whitson.
- \*House Bill No. 352 -- Bail, Bail Bonds As introduced, states that forfeiture of bail shall not become final in a court located within an area that has been declared by the governor to be in a state of emergency until 180 days after the expiration of the declaration. Amends TCA Title 40, Chapter 11. by \*Farmer.
- \*House Bill No. 353 -- Banks and Financial Institutions As introduced, requires the Tennessee advisory commission on intergovernmental relations (TACIR) to study the feasibility of creating a state gold depository and to report its findings to the speakers of the senate and house of representatives no later than January 1, 2022. Amends TCA Title 4; Title 8; Title 9; Title 12; Title 45; Title 47; Title 48; Title 56 and Title 67. by \*Hulsey.
- **House Bill No. 354** -- Elder Abuse As introduced, permits clerks of court to notify the department of health by electronic means of convictions that require inclusion on the registry of persons who have abused vulnerable individuals. Amends TCA Title 39; Title 40 and Title 71. by \*Keisling.
- **House Bill No. 355** -- Naming and Designating As introduced, recognizes the Algonquian, the Chickamaugan, the Iroquoian, the Muskogean, the Siouan, and the Yuchean cultural groups as Tennessee's first peoples. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 1, Part 3 and Title 4, Chapter 1, Part 4. by \*Holsclaw.
- \*House Bill No. 356 -- Employees, Employers As introduced, changes the number of days, from 30 days to 45, in which an employer must provide the commissioner of labor and workforce development with written notice to maintain its right to appeal an alleged violation of the Tennessee Lawful Employment Act. Amends TCA Title 50. by \*Bricken.
- **House Bill No. 357** -- Judicial Districts As introduced, removes antiquated language regarding the advisory task force on the composition of judicial districts. Amends TCA Title 8; Title 16; Title 17 and Title 18. by \*Curcio.
- \*House Bill No. 358 -- Taxes, Personal Property As introduced, authorizes the county trustee to proceed against delinquent taxpayers by retaining an agent to collect delinquent personal property taxes, interest, costs, and attorneys' fees. Amends TCA Title 67, Chapter 5. by \*Marsh.

- \*House Bill No. 359 -- Administrative Procedure (UAPA) As introduced, establishes when an agency's rule is exempt from the public hearing requirement; authorizes a person to file suit directly with chancery court to enjoin enforcement of a rule when the rule is not adopted in compliance with this act. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 5. by \*Lafferty, \*Ragan.
- **House Bill No. 360** -- Insurance, Health, Accident As introduced, requires the department of commerce and insurance to issue a report and provide an educational presentation by January 31 each year concerning the methodologies and approaches used by the department to ensure health plans are complying with the federal Paul Wellstone and Pete Domenici Mental Health Parity and Addiction Equity Act of 2008. Amends TCA Title 8; Title 56; Title 63; Title 68 and Title 71. by \*Hawk.
- \*House Bill No. 361 -- Animal Control As introduced, permits officers of governmental animal control agencies to enter abandoned property and dwellings to rescue any non-livestock animal contained therein. Amends TCA Title 39, Chapter 14 and Title 44. by \*Russell.
- \*House Bill No. 362 -- Emergency Communications Districts As introduced, requires emergency communications districts (ECDs) to utilize the direct dispatch method in response to emergency 911 calls and one of three methods in response to non-emergency calls; requires that all emergency 911 calls, with the exception of misrouted calls, be dispatched without being transferred; authorizes ECDs to transfer non-emergency calls at the discretion of the dispatcher via attended transfer. Amends TCA Title 7, Chapter 86. by \*Russell.
- \*House Bill No. 363 -- Transportation, Dept. of As introduced, requires commissioner to annually transmit a report to transportation and safety committee of the senate and transportation committee of the house of representatives, on or before February 15, showing a list of the 10 oldest on-going road and bridge projects and steps taken to complete them from previous year, including projected completion dates. Amends TCA Title 54. by \*Russell.
- \*House Bill No. 364 -- Safety, Dept. of As introduced, requires the department to provide a copy of a crash report to the state senator and representative representing the location where the traffic accident occurred when the accident results in a person's death; requires the report to be provided within 15 business days of the accident or the person's death, whichever is later. Amends TCA Title 55. by \*Russell.
- **House Bill No. 365** -- Firefighters As introduced, allows a volunteer firefighter to receive \$800 from the commission on firefighting personnel standards and education for completing 40 hours of training annually. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 24. by \*Russell, \*Sherrell.
- \*House Bill No. 366 -- Real Property As introduced, prohibits governmental entities from requiring right-of-way dedications from landowners with property located along an existing public right-of-way; authorizes governmental entities to require a right-of-way reservation as a condition of approving any proposed subdivision of property; clarifies that a real estate licensee has no duty to inform any party to a real estate transaction concerning a right-of-way reservation. Amends TCA Title 13; Title 62 and Title 66. by \*Williams, \*Hall, \*Howell, \*Faison.

- **House Bill No. 367** -- Taxes, Sales As introduced, defines "micro market," "micro market display," and "unattended" for purposes of sales and use taxes; authorizes dealers who own and operate micro markets in multiple locations to submit to the department of revenue a single monthly sales tax return and payment from sales made at all micro markets owned and operated by the dealer. Amends TCA Title 67. by \*Williams.
- \*House Bill No. 368 -- Public Records As introduced, makes records of minor students created by a school resource or other law enforcement officer confidential and not subject to a public records request unless a requestor obtains consent from the minor's parent or guardian or pursuant to a court order. Amends TCA Title 10, Chapter 7, Part 5. by \*Williams.
- \*House Bill No. 369 -- Contractors As introduced, authorizes owners of real property to construct certain residential buildings on that property without obtaining a contractor license; requires notice of construction to be made to the board for licensing contractors and the register of deeds. Amends TCA Title 13; Title 62, Chapter 6 and Title 66. by \*Williams.
- **House Bill No. 370** -- Public Health As introduced, creates a committee to determine when and how quarantine and disease communication tracking procedures should be implemented; removes quarantine authority from health commissioner and county health officer; requires county health departments to publish data regarding epidemic testing. Amends TCA Title 4 and Title 68. by \*Casada.
- **House Bill No. 371** -- Alcoholic Beverages As introduced, removes the prohibition on retail sales of alcoholic beverages and wine on Christmas, Thanksgiving, and Easter. Amends TCA Title 57. by \*Casada.
- **House Bill No. 372** -- Public Employees As introduced, prohibits a government entity from requiring an employee of the entity to attend or participate in a training, seminar, or continuing education which the employee objects to on the basis of the person's morals, ethics, values, or religious beliefs. Amends TCA Title 4; Title 5; Title 6; Title 7 and Title 8. by \*Casada.
- \*House Bill No. 373 -- Evidence As introduced, prohibits wildlife resources officers from entering private property to install monitoring device without a search warrant, order for electronic surveillance, or written permission of the landowner. Amends TCA Title 70. by \*Casada.
- \*House Bill No. 374 -- Law Enforcement As introduced, requires that members of a community oversight board complete the local police force's citizen academy course within six months of beginning service on the board; removes authority from the board until all members have complied. Amends TCA Title 38. by \*Casada.
- \*House Bill No. 375 -- Credit and Debit Cards As introduced, requires that state and local taxes and fees be excluded from the calculation of interchange fees by payment card networks for electronic payment transactions. Amends TCA Title 67. by \*Hawk, \*Mannis.
- **House Bill No. 376** -- Election Laws As introduced, adds the state and local government committee of the senate and the local government committee of the house of representatives to where the secretary of state files the annual consolidated report on HAVA requirements and payments. Amends TCA Title 2. by \*Carr.

- **House Bill No. 377** -- Alcoholic Beverages As introduced, removes residency requirements for a person applying for a retail liquor license. Amends TCA Section 57-3-204. by \*Ramsey.
- \*House Bill No. 378 -- Education, Higher As introduced, declares an act of the general assembly enacted after January 1, 2021, that mandates a discount or waiver of the tuition or fees charged at public institutions of higher education unenforceable against an institution affected by the act unless the general assembly annually appropriates a sum sufficient to fully fund the discount or waiver program at the institution; requires each public institution of higher education to report certain information concerning discount and waiver programs. Amends TCA Title 8 and Title 49. by \*Crawford.
- \*House Bill No. 379 -- Election Laws As introduced, authorizes the county election commission to appoint as an emergency registrar, the licensed physician attending a hospitalized person when the person requests an emergency ballot; allows such appointment when the hospital administrator is absent. Amends TCA Title 2 and Title 3. by \*Crawford.
- \*House Bill No. 380 -- Local Government, General As introduced, expresses legislative intent that the persons appointed to a charter commission for the consolidation of the functions of the county and creation of a metropolitan government be representative of both incorporated and unincorporated areas of the county. Amends TCA Title 5; Title 6; Title 7; Title 9 and Title 67. by \*Crawford.
- \*House Bill No. 381 -- Local Government, General As introduced, requires that the notice sent to a taxpayer by an equalization board established by a modified city manager-council regarding the board's final decision on the taxpayer's appeal of a tax assessment, be sent within five business days instead of five calendar days; requires that any complaint challenging the legality of an appointment made by the county legislative body be filed with the chancery court of the county within 10 business days instead of 10 calendar days of the date of the appointment. Amends TCA Title 5; Title 6; Title 7; Title 9; Title 12 and Title 67. by \*Crawford.
- \*House Bill No. 382 -- Criminal Offenses As introduced, expands the offense of unlawful photography to include a photograph taken without an individual's consent and the focus of the photograph is the intimate area of the individual or would offend or embarrass an ordinary person and the photograph was taken for the purpose of sexual arousal of the defendant. Amends TCA Title 39, Chapter 13, Part 6. by \*Crawford.
- \*House Bill No. 383 -- District Attorneys As introduced, authorizes prior service as a criminal investigator for a law enforcement agency to be used for creditable service calculation for persons employed as assistant district attorneys general. Amends TCA Title 8, Chapter 7. by \*Crawford.
- \*House Bill No. 384 -- Children As introduced, enacts "Evelyn Boswell's Law." Amends TCA Title 37; Title 38 and Title 39. by \*Crawford.
- \*House Bill No. 385 -- Criminal Offenses As introduced, enacts the "Deputy Jason Scott Public Safety Act," which makes it a criminal offense for a witness of a medical emergency to fail to immediately notify emergency services. Amends TCA Title 38 and Title 39. by \*Russell.

\*House Bill No. 386 -- Workers Compensation - As introduced, transfers administration of construction service provider registration from the secretary of state to the bureau of workers' compensation. - Amends TCA Title 50, Chapter 6, Part 4 and Title 50, Chapter 6, Part 9. by \*Russell.

**House Bill No. 387** -- Election Laws - As introduced, creates a polling place pilot program in Davidson County jails to provide eligible inmates the opportunity to vote; expires the program on December 31, 2022. - Amends TCA Title 2. by \*Shaw.

**House Bill No. 388** -- Utilities, Utility Districts - As introduced, authorizes the board of commissioners of a utility district to use competitive sealed proposals to purchase goods or services instead of competitive sealed bids in emergency situations or when the board determines that the use of competitive sealed bids is either not practical or advantageous to the utility district. - Amends TCA Title 7, Chapter 82, Part 8 and Section 12-3-1207. by \*Darby, \*Lafferty.

**House Bill No. 389** -- Adoption - As introduced, requires the department of children's services to require a person receiving financial assistance for adoption from the department to submit medical records from the adopted child's annual physical examination or other verification of the child's well-being. - Amends TCA Title 36 and Title 37. by \*Littleton, \*Rudder, \*Smith, \*Helton, \*Doggett, \*Moody, \*Holsclaw, \*Cochran.

\*House Bill No. 390 -- Utilities, Utility Districts - As introduced, prohibits a utility governing body from discontinuing service on a day on which reconnections cannot take place within 24 hours or on the day preceding or following a legal holiday; makes statewide the requirement, which currently applies in Davidson County only, for utilities to establish a policy governing discontinuation of service for nonpayment. - Amends TCA Title 7 and Title 65. by \*Harris.

\*House Bill No. 391 -- Public Health - As introduced, specifies that the county mayor, in unincorporated areas, and the highest-ranking elected official in a city in the official's jurisdiction, have the authority to establish and implement health policies that affect the county or city, as applicable, during a health emergency; directs the county health director, health officer, and board of health to provide advice to the mayor and city official to develop the policies; applies only in Shelby, Davidson, Knox, Hamilton, Sullivan, and Madison counties. - Amends TCA Title 5 and Title 68, Chapter 2, Part 6. by \*Leatherwood.

\*House Bill No. 392 -- Public Contracts - As introduced, enacts the "Public Contracts for Legal Services Act" to establish the process by which a political subdivision of this state may enter into a contingent fee contract for legal services. - Amends TCA Title 12, Chapter 4. by \*Reedy.

**House Bill No. 393** -- Planning, Public - As introduced, requires that the recommendations submitted by a regional historic zoning commission to a county or municipal legislative body regarding the creation of a historic district or zone identify the statutory criteria or criterion met by the proposed historic zone or district. - Amends TCA Title 5; Title 6; Title 7; Title 12; Title 13; Title 66 and Title 67. by \*Crawford.

**House Bill No. 394** -- Holidays and Days of Special Observance - As introduced, designates June 19 of each year as "Juneteenth," a day of special observance. - Amends TCA Title 15. by \*Hardaway.

\*House Bill No. 395 -- Workers Compensation - As introduced, removes liability of a general contractor, intermediate contractor, or subcontractor for workers' compensation to a construction services provider for injuries occurring during the time period of December 9, 2019, through September 9, 2021, if certain conditions are met. - Amends TCA Title 50, Chapter 6, Part 9. by \*Boyd.

**House Bill No. 396** -- Public Defenders - As introduced, authorizes the district public defender of the fifteenth judicial district to employ two additional assistant district public defenders and one additional district investigator, effective July 1, 2021. - Amends TCA Title 8 and Title 16. by \*Boyd.

\*House Bill No. 397 -- Banks and Financial Institutions - As introduced, changes from \$50,000 to \$100,000 the minimum tangible net worth required for an applicant to qualify for a flex loan license; changes from 10 percent to 20 percent the level shareholder whose competence, experience, integrity, and financial ability the commissioner of financial institutions may review to determine an applicant's fitness for licensure, and who may be required to consent to a criminal records history check in connection with a license application or renewal. - Amends TCA Title 45, Chapter 12; Title 45, Chapter 18; Title 45, Chapter 5 and Title 45, Chapter 7. by \*Boyd.

\*House Bill No. 398 -- Water Authorities - As introduced, increases from \$100 to \$300 the maximum per diem payment to a member of the board of commissioners of a water and wastewater treatment authority for attending a board meeting, not to exceed six board meetings per calendar year. - Amends TCA Section 68-221-618. by \*Boyd.

\*House Bill No. 399 -- Boards and Commissions - As introduced, creates the chronic weight management task force to study the health implications of chronic weight management and Type 2 diabetes. - Amends TCA Title 56, Chapter 1, Part 1. by \*Boyd.

**House Bill No. 400** -- Motor Vehicles - As introduced, requires the department of transportation to submit a brief written summary to the transportation committee of the house of representatives and the transportation and safety committee of the senate no later than March 15 annually concerning placards issued to transporters of manufactured homes, including data on unsafe and erratic driving reported to the department using the telephone number that appears on the placards. - Amends TCA Title 55; Title 62; Title 67 and Title 68. by \*Boyd.

\*House Bill No. 401 -- Workers Compensation - As introduced, authorizes the court of workers' compensation claims to award additional attorneys' fees and costs incurred when an employer wrongfully denies a claim or wrongfully fails to timely initiate benefits to which the employee or dependent is entitled for injuries that occur between July 1, 2021, and June 30, 2023. - Amends TCA Section 50-6-226. by \*Boyd.

\*House Bill No. 402 -- Motor Vehicles - As introduced, expands the definitions of Class I off-highway vehicles and all-terrain vehicles to include those off-highway vehicles with a total dry weight up to 3,500 pounds; clarifies that the width of such vehicles must be measured from the outside of the tire rim to the outside of the tire rim. - Amends TCA Title 11; Title 47 and Title 55. by \*Keisling.

- **House Bill No. 403** -- Marriage As introduced, adds former members of the general assembly who filed notice with the office of vital records while serving in the general assembly to the list of persons authorized to solemnize marriages. Amends TCA Section 36-3-301. by \*Carringer.
- **House Bill No. 404** -- Libraries As introduced, makes various changes to the state and regional library systems. Amends TCA Title 10, Chapter 1, Part 1; Title 10, Chapter 3 and Title 10, Chapter 5, Part 1. by \*Carringer.
- \*House Bill No. 405 -- Education As introduced, changes from October 1 to October 15, the date by which a child care program licensed by the department of education must submit its annual report to the department. Amends TCA Title 49. by \*Carringer.
- \*House Bill No. 406 -- Education As introduced, adds the state board of education to the list of entities that the Tennessee council for career and technical education must advise of findings and recommendations made by the council. Amends TCA Title 49. by \*Carringer.
- \*House Bill No. 407 -- Planning, Public As introduced, allows an owner or agent of the owner of real property to, prior to closing on the property, agree or negotiate to sell the property by reference to a subdivision plat before the final subdivision plat is approved by the planning commission. Amends TCA Title 13, Chapter 3; Title 13, Chapter 4 and Title 66. by \*Helton.
- **House Bill No. 408** -- Utilities, Utility Districts As introduced, replaces one county elected commissioner position on the board of commissioners for the Citizens Gas Utility District of Scott and Morgan counties with an at-large commissioner position, with such change to coincide with the district's August 2025 election. Amends Chapter 225 of the Public Acts of 1959, as amended by Chapter 237 of the Public Acts of 1977, Chapter 176 of the Public Acts of 1993, and. by \*Keisling.
- \*House Bill No. 409 -- Forfeiture of Assets As introduced, adds information to be provided by the department of safety in a report detailing seizures for the previous calendar year and provided to the speakers of the senate and the house of representatives and the chairs of the appropriate committees; requires that an affidavit in support of a forfeiture warrant include information as to whether criminal charges have been filed against the owner of the property or the person in possession of the property at the time of seizure. Amends TCA Title 40, Chapter 33. by \*Lafferty.
- \*House Bill No. 410 -- Fiduciaries As introduced, enacts the "Uniform Fiduciary Income and Principal Act." Amends TCA Title 35 and Title 67. by \*Bricken.
- \*House Bill No. 411 -- Election Laws As introduced, expands the period of time before an election during which this state or a local government is prohibited from regulating certain political or campaign signs or posters on private property from "60 days before a general election" to "60 days before the first day of voting begins pursuant to the provisions governing early voting for a general election". Amends TCA Section 2-7-143. by \*Jernigan.
- \*House Bill No. 412 -- Law Enforcement As introduced, allows a retired law enforcement officer who is authorized to carry a firearm in the same manner as an active law enforcement officer to provide private security services without completing the firearms training required for private protective services licensing. Amends TCA Title 38 and Title 62, Chapter 35. by \*Jernigan.

- \*House Bill No. 413 -- Criminal Offenses As introduced, decriminalizes the possession and casual exchange of less than one ounce of marijuana; defines casual exchange and marijuana for purposes of decriminalization. Amends TCA Title 39, Chapter 17, Part 4 and Title 40. by \*Lamar.
- \*House Bill No. 414 -- State Employees As introduced, restores longevity pay for employees of the executive branch in the service of the state hired after June 30, 2015. Amends TCA Title 8 and Title 38. by \*Sparks.
- **House Bill No. 415** -- Public Contracts As introduced, creates the Tennessee small business reserve pilot program, which provides opportunities for certain small businesses to be awarded state contracts. Amends TCA Title 12, Chapter 3, Part 11. by \*Camper.
- \*House Bill No. 416 -- Child Abuse As introduced, provides for the release of records of domestic violence shelters, rape crisis centers, and human trafficking service providers to the department of children's services for the purpose of investigating known or suspected child abuse or neglect or child sexual abuse; requires the department of children's services to maintain confidentiality of the records received. Amends TCA Title 36, Chapter 3. by \*Littleton.
- \*House Bill No. 417 -- Child Abuse As introduced, adds to the definition of "severe child abuse" the act of knowingly or with negligence allowing a child to be within a structure where a Schedule I or II controlled substance is present or accessible to the child. Amends TCA Title 37. by \*Littleton.
- **House Bill No. 418** -- Criminal Procedure As introduced, changes the amount of child support obligations that must be paid, from current in all obligations to a consistent portion paid monthly, in order for a person to be eligible for voting rights restoration. Amends TCA Title 40, Chapter 29, Part 2. by \*Lamar.
- **House Bill No. 419** -- TennCare As introduced, adds chiropractic services performed by a person authorized to engage in the practice of chiropractic to the list of healthcare services that may be included as covered TennCare medical assistance; requires TennCare medical assistance include payment for chiropractic services for persons 18 years of age and older. Amends TCA Title 71, Chapter 5. by \*Cepicky.
- \*House Bill No. 420 -- General Assembly As introduced, creates an ad hoc committee consisting of members of the general assembly to review the current laws, rules, and policies of cash bail in this state, and report on its findings and recommendations by January 15, 2022. Amends TCA Title 40. by \*Harris.
- \*House Bill No. 421 -- Banks and Financial Institutions As introduced, increases existing fees, and adds additional fees, that an industrial loan and thrift company, industrial investment company, or industrial bank may charge to service various loans. Amends TCA Title 45, Chapter 5. by \*Lamberth, \*Powers.
- \*House Bill No. 422 -- Education, State Board of As introduced, requires the board to promulgate rules to allow a public school system to meet the 180 days of classroom instruction required for each school term by providing a minimum number of instructional hours per school year. Amends TCA Section 49-6-3004. by \*Keisling.

- \*House Bill No. 423 -- Public Records As introduced, declares that personally identifying information of a person participating in a government-sponsored property alert service or program is confidential; defines "property alert service or program" as an online service that electronically alerts a participant when a document is filed and indexed in the register of deed's office that references the participant's name or address. Amends TCA Title 10, Chapter 7, Part 5. by \*Crawford.
- \*House Bill No. 424 -- Appropriations As introduced, makes appropriations for the purpose of defraying the expenses of certain legislative enactments passed during the 2021 session of the 112th General Assembly; earmarks sufficient state funds for the purpose of funding any bill naming a highway or bridge in honor of a service member killed in action. by \*Hazlewood.
- \*House Bill No. 425 -- Budget Procedures As introduced, authorizes grant payments under the grant assistance program for nursing home care to be made either monthly or quarterly. Amends TCA Title 3; Title 4; Title 5; Title 6; Title 7; Title 8; Title 9; Title 10; Title 12; Title 13; Title 16; Title 17; Title 18; Title 29; Title 33; Title 36; Title 37; Title 38; Title 39; Title 40; Title 41; Title 42; Title 43; Title 44; Title 45; Title 47; Title 48; Title 49; Title 50; Title 53; Title 54; Title 55; Title 56; Title 57; Title 58; Title 59; Title 60; Title 61; Title 62; Title 63; Title 64; Title 65; Title 66; Title 67; Title 68; Title 69; Title 70 and Title 71. by \*Hazlewood.
- \*House Bill No. 426 -- Alcoholic Beverages As introduced, increases from 60 to 90 days the maximum first offense suspension period of a person's liquor by the drink license for authorizing the sale or use of an alcohol vaporizing device on the licensee's premises. Amends TCA Title 57. by \*Littleton.
- \*House Bill No. 427 -- Sexual Offenses As introduced, states that a victim of sexual battery is incapable of consenting to sexual contact with a physician, psychologist, therapist, or certain other professionals during the course of receiving treatment for a mental, emotional, or physical condition or an interpersonal relationship. Amends TCA Title 39, Chapter 13, Part 5. by \*Littleton.
- \*House Bill No. 428 -- Juvenile Offenders As introduced, revises the sentence for aggravated rape of a child when committed by a juvenile, as required by the U.S. Supreme Court in Miller v. Alabama, from mandatory life imprisonment without parole to a Class A felony to be sentenced within Range III; applies to sentences imposed on or after July 1, 2021. Amends TCA Title 39 and Title 40. by \*Littleton.
- \*House Bill No. 429 -- Education, Curriculum As introduced, creates a state oversight committee for the inclusion of African American history as part of the public school curriculum in Tennessee. Amends TCA Title 4 and Title 49, Chapter 50. by \*Chism.
- \*House Bill No. 430 -- Sentencing As introduced, requires that a person convicted of facilitation of rape of a child or aggravated rape of a child be sentenced to community supervision for life and to serve 100 percent of the sentence imposed before becoming eligible for release, with no more than 15 percent in sentence reduction credits. Amends TCA Title 39 and Title 40. by \*Lamberth, \*Littleton.
- \*House Bill No. 431 -- Motor Vehicles As introduced, authorizes off-highway vehicle operation on certain segments of Mill Creek Road, Dyna Tex Road, and Old Burrville Road, all within Sunbright, in Morgan County. Amends TCA Section 55-8-185. by \*Windle.

- \*House Bill No. 432 -- County Boundaries As introduced, alters the boundary between Davidson and Wilson counties in such manner as to detach certain parcels of real property currently located in Davidson County and to attach such parcels to Wilson County. by \*Lynn.
- **House Bill No. 433** -- Election Laws As introduced, allows all counties to establish convenient voting centers for use on election day upon super majority vote of the county election commission. Amends TCA Title 2. by \*Lynn.
- \*House Bill No. 434 -- Orders of Protection As introduced, permits service of ex parte orders of protection for up to one year from issuance; creates a lifetime order of protection that can be issued to a victim of certain felony offenses to prohibit the offender from coming about or communicating with the victim. Amends TCA Title 16, Chapter 15, Part 9; Title 36 and Title 39, Chapter 13. by \*Lamberth, \*Halford, \*Powers.
- **House Bill No. 435** -- Health Care As introduced, changes from seven to 10 days the number of days prior to a vote on marketing strategies or strategic plans that a hospital subject to the open meetings law must make records related to the strategy available for public inspection. Amends TCA Title 4; Title 33; Title 53; Title 56; Title 63; Title 68 and Title 71. by \*Alexander.
- \*House Bill No. 436 -- Education, Higher As introduced, requires the Tennessee higher education commission to post a notice to the commission's website within 30 days of designating a degree-granting institution of higher learning a university. Amends TCA Title 49. by \*Haston.
- **House Bill No. 437** -- Real Property As introduced, regulates the use of installment land contracts for the conveyance of real property. Amends TCA Title 66. by \*Haston.
- \*House Bill No. 438 -- Education, Dept. of As introduced, directs the department to develop and administer a system of grants to LEAs to supplement funding LEAs receive through the BEP for special education. Amends TCA Title 49. by \*Harris.
- \*House Bill No. 439 -- Alcoholic Beverages As introduced, authorizes a local law enforcement officer of the law enforcement agency of a city, county, or metropolitan government, or such officer's spouse, to obtain a retail package store license if the licensed premises is to be located outside of the jurisdiction of the officer's employing agency. Amends TCA Title 57, Chapter 3. by \*Griffey.
- \*House Bill No. 440 -- Banks and Financial Institutions As introduced, imposes a \$5.00 fee on certain money transmitter transactions that transmit money from a location originating in this state to a location outside of the United States or its territories. Amends TCA Title 38; Title 45, Chapter 7 and Title 67, Chapter 6. by \*Griffey.
- \*House Bill No. 441 -- Public Health As introduced, creates a task force to study and report on pre-term births and infant mortality as it relates to African-American mothers. Amends TCA Title 4; Title 56; Title 63; Title 68 and Title 71. by \*Lamar.

- \*House Bill No. 442 -- Veterans Services, Dept. of As introduced, enacts the "Major Trevor Joseph Act," which requires the department to provide burial services for a person who died while on active duty with the armed forces and is being interred in a state veterans cemetery on a date requested by the family members of the person if the department is given notice of the burial at least 72 hours in advance of the burial. Amends TCA Title 46, Chapter 6 and Title 58. by \*Vaughan.
- **House Bill No. 443** -- Medical Occupations As introduced, reduces, from 15 to 10, the number of days that the comptroller has to determine if certain financing agreements to fund a medical school under the Medical School Authorities Act are in compliance with the guidelines, rules, and regulations of the state funding board. Amends TCA Title 7; Title 33; Title 49; Title 63 and Title 68. by \*Vaughan.
- \*House Bill No. 444 -- Workers Compensation As introduced, changes from July 1 to January 31, the deadline by which the bureau of workers' compensation must annually review the impact of the Workers' Compensation Reform Act of 2013 on the workers' compensation system in this state and deliver a report of its findings to each member of the general assembly; requires the bureau to provide a presentation of its findings to certain committees. Amends TCA Title 4; Title 50, Chapter 6 and Title 56. by \*Vaughan.
- \*House Bill No. 445 -- Workers Compensation As introduced, extends from December 31 to January 1, the date by which the bureau of workers' compensation must produce its annual report listing the name of each covered employer that failed, during the preceding state fiscal year, to provide workers' compensation coverage or qualify as a self-insured employer as required by law. Amends TCA Title 4; Title 50, Chapter 6 and Title 56. by \*Vaughan.
- \*House Bill No. 446 -- Firearms and Ammunition As introduced, adds a prohibition of the expenditure of state or local funds or employees to implement, regulate, or enforce any federal law or executive order regulating the sale of firearms, ammunition, or firearm accessories if the expenditure of funds or use of employees would violate a state law or the state constitution. Amends TCA Title 38 and Title 39. by \*Warner.
- **House Bill No. 447** -- Child Custody and Support As introduced, adds to the child support advisory group two attorneys appointed by the Tennessee bar association, one of whom will be an advocate for child support obligors and one of whom will be an advocate for child support obligees. Amends TCA Title 71, Chapter 1. by \*Warner.
- \*House Bill No. 448 -- Columbia Subject to local approval, makes various changes to the charter of the city of Columbia relating to the duties of the local civil service board. Amends Chapter 9 of the Private Acts of 2013. by \*Cepicky.
- \*House Bill No. 449 -- Health Care As introduced, requires healthcare facilities and providers to post a price for each healthcare service offered and to accept the price as payment in full if any patient or third-party payer on behalf of the patient pays the price in full within 30 days after the date the healthcare service was provided. Amends TCA Title 8; Title 33; Title 56; Title 63; Title 68, Chapter 11 and Title 71. by \*Hodges.

- \*House Bill No. 450 -- Child Custody and Support As introduced, removes authorization to revoke, deny, suspend, or restrict driver licenses and professional licenses of obligors who have been certified by the department of human services to be in noncompliance with an order of child support if the obligor has paid any portion of the obligation or is making one or more installment payments toward certain payment plans; requires licensing authorities to reinstate licenses previously revoked, denied, suspended, or restricted due to failure to comply with a child support obligation upon payment of a reasonable fee. Amends TCA Title 36; Title 55; Title 56 and Title 63. by \*Hodges.
- \*House Bill No. 451 -- Drugs, Prescription As introduced, caps the total amount that a health insurance carrier can require a covered patient with diabetes to pay for a 30-day supply of insulin at no more than \$100; caps the total price that a person who supplies prescription insulin drugs into or within this state for use by a patient with diabetes can charge for a 30-day supply of insulin at no more than \$100. Amends TCA Title 8; Title 53; Title 56, Chapter 7; Title 63 and Title 71, Chapter 5. by \*Hodges.
- \*House Bill No. 452 -- Alcoholic Beverages As introduced, designates the Roxy Theater in Clarksville as a community theater for purposes of serving alcoholic beverages for consumption on the premises. Amends TCA Section 57-4-102. by \*Hodges.
- \*House Bill No. 453 -- Taxes, Exemption and Credits As introduced, exempts, between July 1, 2021, and June 30, 2022, the retail sale of tangible personal property made by a small business when the sale is on a Monday; defines "small business" as a business with annual gross receipts that do not exceed \$4 million. Amends TCA Title 67, Chapter 6, Part 3. by \*Hodges.
- \*House Bill No. 454 -- Health, Dept. of As introduced, requires the department to accept out-of-state medical records evidencing the immunization of a dependent child of a military parent against each of the diseases designated by the commissioner of health as required for attendance at any school or child care facility in this state as sufficient without requiring the child's parent to present the child for medical evaluation in this state to obtain a certificate of immunization on forms prescribed by the department. Amends TCA Title 49, Chapter 6. by \*Hodges.
- **House Bill No. 455** -- Psychologists As introduced, enacts the "Psychology Interjurisdictional Compact Act." Amends TCA Title 4; Title 7; Title 33; Title 63 and Title 68. by \*Thompson.
- \*House Bill No. 456 -- Employees, Employers As introduced, authorizes a political subdivision, or an instrumentality of a political subdivision with at least 1,000 employees, to implement, adopt, or administer an automatic deferred or tax-sheltered compensation plan for employees. Amends TCA Title 5; Title 6; Title 7; Title 8 and Title 50. by \*Thompson.
- \*House Bill No. 457 -- Bail, Bail Bonds As introduced, authorizes a defendant for whom bail has been set to pay the bail bond with a credit card, debit card, or internet or mobile cash application, in addition to with cash. Amends TCA Section 40-11-118. by \*Thompson.
- \*House Bill No. 458 -- Employees, Employers As introduced, requires certain employers to adopt and implement an essential workers' bill of rights during a state of emergency or disaster, declared by the governor. Amends TCA Title 4; Title 7; Title 8; Title 49; Title 50; Title 62; Title 63 and Title 68. by \*Thompson.

- \*House Bill No. 459 -- Medical Occupations As introduced, requires certain healthcare services providers to complete training every three years on how to identify and respond to human trafficking victims who enter hospitals, medical clinics, and emergency departments. Amends TCA Title 4; Title 32; Title 33; Title 39; Title 63 and Title 68. by \*Lamar.
- \*House Bill No. 460 -- Human Services, Dept. of As introduced, subject to appropriation, establishes the base amount of \$500 as cash assistance to be awarded to recipients who qualify for childcare assistance from programs administered by the department; prohibits spending restrictions on the increase in cash assistance, over the base amount as of June 30, 2021. Amends TCA Title 4 and Title 71. by \*Miller.
- **House Bill No. 461** -- TennCare As introduced, extends the expiration date for the ground ambulance provider assessment from June 30, 2021, to June 30, 2022. Amends TCA Title 5; Title 7; Title 56; Title 68 and Title 71. by \*Reedy.
- \*House Bill No. 462 -- Education, Dept. of As introduced, prohibits the department from using high school graduation rates from the 2021-2022, 2022-2023, 2023-2024, and 2024-2025 school years as a metric included in school or LEA accountability; allows the department to report graduation rates as required by federal law. Amends TCA Section 49-1-228 and Title 49, Chapter 1, Part 6. by \*Cepicky.
- \*House Bill No. 463 -- Local Education Agencies As introduced, reduces from four years to two years the term for which a person serves as a member of an LEA's local board of education; disqualifies a person from serving as a member of an LEA's local board of education if that person is a relative of a member who is currently serving a term of office on the local board of education; specifies that the reduced term limit and restrictions apply only to a member elected to a term after January 1, 2022. Amends TCA Title 49, Chapter 2 and Title 49, Chapter 6. by \*Reedy.
- \*House Bill No. 464 -- Alcoholic Beverages As introduced, lowers amount of revenue required from sale of artwork from 90 percent to 80 percent in order for an art gallery to serve wine to patrons. Amends TCA Title 57. by \*Littleton.
- \*House Bill No. 465 -- Children's Services, Dept. of As introduced, requires the department to use a hair follicle test when testing a child for the presence of a controlled substance in the child's body. Amends TCA Title 24; Title 36 and Title 37. by \*Littleton.
- **House Bill No. 466** -- Children As introduced, establishes a pilot program for three years to provide child care payments to eligible relative caregivers; requires the department of children's services to publish an annual report containing certain data about the pilot program. Amends TCA Title 37 and Title 71. by \*McKenzie.
- **House Bill No. 467** -- Health Care As introduced, removes a code provision that created a taskforce to review the regulations of the residential and day provider agencies contracted by the department of intellectual and developmental disabilities, which ceased to exist as of June 30, 2014. Amends TCA Title 4; Title 33; Title 53; Title 56; Title 63 and Title 71. by \*Carringer.

- **House Bill No. 468** -- Health Care As introduced, removes a code provision that created a taskforce to study methods on how best to prevent cardiovascular disease, hypertension, and diabetes in this state, which ceased to exist as of December 15, 2020. Amends TCA Title 4; Title 33; Title 53; Title 56; Title 63; Title 68 and Title 71. by \*Carringer.
- \*House Bill No. 469 -- Unclaimed Property As introduced, changes the date used to determine when property held in a pension or retirement account is presumed abandoned; changes, from \$50 to \$25, the threshold value for property to be included in the report due to the treasurer under the Uniform Unclaimed Property Act; changes the exception to allow the treasurer to waive the claim requirement and deliver the property directly to a person. Amends TCA Title 66, Chapter 29. by \*Carringer.
- \*House Bill No. 470 -- Consumer Protection As introduced, changes, from 45 days to 60 days, the limitation on delaying notification to persons affected by the breach of a system security when a law enforcement agency determines that the notification will impede a criminal investigation. Amends TCA Section 47-18-2107. by \*Cepicky.
- \*House Bill No. 471 -- Lottery, Scholarships and Programs As introduced, adds William R. Moore College of Technology as an eligible institution for receipt of dual enrollment grants. Amends TCA Title 49, Chapter 4. by \*White.
- **House Bill No. 472** -- Schools, Charter As introduced, permits instead of requires, certain employees of a public charter school to participate in the group insurance plans selected by the governing body of the charter school; permits a public charter school that qualifies as a quasi-governmental organization to participate in a state group insurance plan selected by the governing body of the public charter school. Amends TCA Title 8 and Title 49, Chapter 13. by \*White.
- **House Bill No. 473** -- Education, Higher As introduced, extends and expands provisions regarding the process of selecting a chief executive officer of a public institution of higher education in this state. Amends TCA Section 49-7-154. by \*White.
- \*House Bill No. 474 -- Criminal Offenses As introduced, broadens the offense of indecent exposure when committed by masturbation or exposure to include victims who are 14 years of age or younger or any age if the victim does not consent to the conduct; increases the penalty for indecent exposure in certain circumstances. Amends TCA Title 39. by \*White.
- **House Bill No. 475** -- Child Abuse As introduced, permits school child abuse coordinators, school teachers, school officials, and other school personnel to provide information relevant to suspected child abuse or child sexual abuse to the child's parents when required by federal law or regulation. Amends TCA Title 49, Chapter 6, Part 16. by \*White.
- **House Bill No. 476** -- Highways, Roads and Bridges As introduced, authorizes the use of surveillance cameras owned by law enforcement agencies on federal interstate highways to aid in criminal investigations. Amends TCA Title 55. by \*White.
- \*House Bill No. 477 -- Firearms and Ammunition As introduced, clarifies that a law enforcement officer is not prohibited from carrying a firearm into certain locations regardless of whether the officer is on or off duty; clarifies that the exemption to the ban on weapons in parks and other similar places for a law enforcement officer applies regardless of whether the officer is on duty. Amends TCA Title 39, Chapter 17. by \*White.

- \*House Bill No. 478 -- Juvenile Offenders As introduced, permits a child to be detained in a secure facility when there is probable cause to believe the child has committed certain offenses involving burglary, robbery, or theft of a motor vehicle; removes restrictions on the juvenile court's authority to order detention for a child who has committed a delinquent act. Amends TCA Title 37. by \*Lamberth, \*Garrett.
- \*House Bill No. 479 -- Comptroller, State As introduced, deletes antiquated language regarding the comptroller's office requirement to study and report on the formation and operation of community schools that concluded on November 1, 2018. Amends TCA Title 49. by \*Lamberth, \*Gant.
- \*House Bill No. 480 -- Education, State Board of As introduced, requires the BEP review committee to analyze how education funding for the 2021-2022, 2022-2023, and 2023-2024 school years may be affected by changes to an LEA's enrollment in the 2020-2021 school year as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, and recommend any necessary revisions, additions, or deletions to the formula in its annual report. Amends TCA Title 49. by \*Lamberth, \*Gant.
- \*House Bill No. 481 -- Handgun Permits As introduced, requires the Tennessee bureau of investigation's report to the general assembly on the amount of money collected for handgun carry permit fees in excess of the costs associated with conducting background checks to be submitted by January 15 of each year. Amends TCA Section 10-7-504; Title 33; Title 36; Title 37; Title 38; Title 39; Title 40; Title 41; Title 49; Title 50; Title 55; Title 70 and Title 71. by \*Lamberth, \*Gant.
- \*House Bill No. 482 -- Tennessee Bureau of Investigation As introduced, requires that the Tennessee bureau of investigation's annual report on narcotics investigations be submitted to the general assembly by February 15 of each year. Amends TCA Title 8; Title 16; Title 17; Title 22; Title 24; Title 27; Title 29; Title 33; Title 36; Title 37; Title 38; Title 39; Title 40; Title 41; Title 53; Title 67 and Title 71. by \*Lamberth, \*Gant.
- \*House Bill No. 483 -- Campaigns and Campaign Finance As introduced, increases from 4 percent to 5 percent the percentage of general assembly candidates and their committees who will be selected for an audit by the registry. Amends TCA Title 2 and Title 3. by \*Lamberth, \*Gant.
- \*House Bill No. 484 -- Welfare As introduced, clarifies that the training provided in the micro-lending program for low-income entrepreneurs who qualify for temporary assistance for needy families (TANF) includes entrepreneurial training. Amends TCA Title 4; Title 9 and Title 71. by \*Lamberth, \*Gant.
- \*House Bill No. 485 -- Appropriations As introduced, appropriates sums sufficient to appropriate entities to provide the first year's funding for any act which receives final passage during the first extraordinary session of the 112th General Assembly. by \*Lamberth, \*Gant.
- \*House Bill No. 486 -- Railroads As introduced, requires department of transportation to study data collected by the federal railroad administration regarding blocked railroad crossings; requires department to report at least semiannually to the transportation committee of the house of representatives and the transportation and safety committee of the senate on its findings and any recommendations regarding the impacts resulting from blocked crossings on areas in this state. Amends TCA Title 54 and Title 65. by \*Smith.

- \*House Bill No. 487 -- Education As introduced, extends, beginning with the 2021-2022 school year, the counties within which each LEA must implement a program of family life education from counties with a pregnancy rate of 19.5 pregnancies for every 1,000 females ages 15 to 17 to all counties; requires a curriculum on sex education or human sexuality that is implemented by an LEA as a part of a human growth and development program be in conformance with the curriculum guidelines established for family life programs. Amends TCA Title 49, Chapter 6, Part 13. by \*Smith.
- \*House Bill No. 488 -- Telecommunications As introduced, requires the public utility commission to post on its website in a manner accessible to the general public an electronic copy of the most recent annual report to the general assembly and governor on all matters relating to the commission for the preceding year. Amends TCA Title 4; Title 7; Title 12; Title 13; Title 35, Chapter 8, Part 1; Section 37-10-204; Section 38-6-121; Title 39; Title 40, Chapter 6, Part 3; Title 47, Chapter 18; Title 54; Title 55; Title 65; Title 66; Title 67 and Title 68. by \*Williams.
- **House Bill No. 489** -- Controlled Substances As introduced, prohibits governmental agencies from taking adverse actions against certain persons based on positive urine tests for tetrahydrocannabinol (THC) at the level of 35 nanograms per milliliter or less; creates a rebuttable presumption that it is not abuse for a parent or guardian to provide hemp products to a child. Amends TCA Title 8; Title 37; Title 38; Title 39; Title 40; Section 49-6-4213; Title 49, Chapter 5; Title 50; Section 63-1-126 and Title 71. by \*Terry.
- **House Bill No. 490** -- Health Care As introduced, establishes the medical cannabis commission; requires the commission to study laws and legislation regarding the medical use of cannabis; requires the commission to report findings and recommendations, including proposed legislation on how to best establish an effective, patient-focused medical cannabis program in this state. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29; Title 4, Chapter 3; Title 38, Chapter 3; Title 39, Chapter 17; Title 43; Title 50; Title 53; Title 67 and Title 68. by \*Terry.
- \*House Bill No. 491 -- Health Care As introduced, removes from code an outdated requirement that the polysomnography professional standards committee hold at least one public meeting each year during the years 2007 through 2010 to allow public discussion of new developments in the practice of polysomnography. Amends TCA Title 63. by \*Terry.
- \*House Bill No. 492 -- Sunset Laws As introduced, extends the Tennessee radiologic imaging and radiation therapy board of examiners to June 30, 2025. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 63, Chapter 6, Part 9. by \*Ragan.
- \*House Bill No. 493 -- Sunset Laws As introduced, extends the polysomnography professional standards committee to June 30, 2022. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 63, Chapter 31. by \*Ragan.
- \*House Bill No. 494 -- Sunset Laws As introduced, extends the health services and development agency to June 30, 2022. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 68, Chapter 11. by \*Ragan.
- \*House Bill No. 495 -- Administrative Procedure (UAPA) As introduced, continues permanent rules filed with the secretary of state after January 1, 2020. by \*Ragan.

- \*House Bill No. 496 -- Taxes, Privilege As introduced, clarifies the beginning and end dates of the applicable tax year for purposes of the professional privilege tax. Amends TCA Title 3; Title 48; Title 63 and Title 67. by \*Todd.
- \*House Bill No. 497 -- School Transportation As introduced, increases, from four years to six years, the maximum period of time that a contractual agreement between a director of schools and a school transportation employee and between a board of education and a person owning equipment for transportation services is authorized. Amends TCA Title 49, Chapter 6, Part 21. by \*Rudd.
- **House Bill No. 498** -- Campaigns and Campaign Finance As introduced, removes requirement to file pre-primary and pre-general election statements for candidates for state public office and political campaign committees for state elections. Amends TCA Title 2, Chapter 10. by \*Rudd.
- **House Bill No. 499** -- Election Laws As introduced, authorizes the county election commission to notify individuals filing a petition for recall, referendum, or initiative to notify the individuals of a defect in the petition that must be cured prior to certification for final approval. Amends TCA Title 2. by \*Rudd.
- **House Bill No. 500** -- Election Laws As introduced, expands the right of a person to place political campaign signs on their property for a certain time to all elections rather than only general elections as provided under the Tennessee Freedom of Speech Act. Amends TCA Section 2-7-143. by \*Rudd.
- **House Bill No. 501** -- Financial Disclosure As introduced, reduces the number of filing dates for campaign finance disclosures to quarterly in election years and semiannually in non-election years; requires all contributions and expenditures, no matter the amount, to be reported in detail. Amends TCA Title 2, Chapter 10. by \*Rudd.
- \*House Bill No. 502 -- Mental Illness As introduced, allows courts to order a person into a program of assisted outpatient mental health treatment upon finding certain conditions are met; provides a process for certain persons to petition a court on behalf of a proposed patient; establishes criteria for the evaluation of proposed patients and reporting to the court by physicians and certain mental health professionals. Amends TCA Title 33. by \*Rudd.
- \*House Bill No. 503 -- Education As introduced, increases from three full school days to four full school days, the minimum amount of parental notice that must be provided to a coach or administrator of a school athletic event that the parent's student will not be participating due to the event occurring on an official school holiday, observed day of worship, or religious holiday. Amends TCA Title 49, Chapter 13; Title 49, Chapter 2; Title 49, Chapter 5 and Title 49, Chapter 6. by \*Keisling.
- \*House Bill No. 504 -- Holidays and Days of Special Observance As introduced, designates June 12 as "Women's Veterans Day," a day of special observance. Amends TCA Title 15, Chapter 2. by \*Hodges.
- \*House Bill No. 505 -- Municipal Government As introduced, increases the age of eligibility, from 18 to 21 years of age, for a candidate for the certified municipal finance officer. Amends TCA Title 6; Title 8 and Title 9. by \*Moon.

- **House Bill No. 506** -- State Government As introduced, requires the head of each state department to report annually the number of preferred service employees affected by a reduction in force to the chairs of the state government committee of the house of representatives and the state and local government committee of the senate. Amends TCA Title 4; Title 8; Title 9, Chapter 4, Part 53; Title 10; Title 11; Title 12; Title 41; Title 50; Title 54 and Title 58. by \*Moon.
- \*House Bill No. 507 -- Commerce and Insurance, Dept. of As introduced, increases, from 10 working days to 12 working days, the time within which, after receipt of a written appeal, the state fire marshal's office must provide a decision in cases of conflict between a city and county regarding a building or fire code issue. Amends TCA Title 68, Chapter 120. by \*Boyd.
- \*House Bill No. 508 -- Health Care As introduced, authorizes unlicensed graduates and students of certain medical training programs to provide telehealth services as long as those graduates and students adhere to the same standards for the provision of telehealth services that licensed medical professionals must meet. Amends TCA Title 56; Title 63 and Title 68. by \*Boyd.
- \*House Bill No. 509 -- Open Meetings As introduced, authorizes board members of utility districts and water, wastewater, and natural gas utility authorities to participate in board meetings by electronic or other means of communication. Amends TCA Section 8-44-108. by \*Boyd.
- \*House Bill No. 510 -- Commerce and Insurance, Dept. of As introduced, enacts the "Innovation FastTrack Act." Amends TCA Title 4; Title 56, Chapter 1; Title 62 and Title 63. by \*Boyd.
- \*House Bill No. 511 -- Criminal Offenses As introduced, limits the punishment a jury can consider for a defendant convicted of first degree murder committed against certain persons engaged in the performance of official duties to death or imprisonment for life without possibility of parole. Amends TCA Title 39, Chapter 13 and Title 40. by \*Gant, \*Lamberth, \*Faison.
- \*House Bill No. 512 -- Criminal Offenses As introduced, allows a person convicted of attempted first degree murder to be sentenced to imprisonment for life without possibility of parole if the offense is committed against certain persons. Amends TCA Title 39, Chapter 13 and Title 40, Chapter 35. by \*Gant, \*Lamberth, \*Faison.
- \*House Bill No. 513 -- Criminal Offenses As introduced, increases the penalty for obstructing a highway from a Class B or C misdemeanor to a Class E felony and makes other related changes; creates the offense of throwing an object at another while participating in a riot; creates the offense of intimidating or harassing another while participating in a riot. Amends TCA Title 8; Title 39; Title 40; Title 54 and Title 55. by \*Gant, \*Lamberth, \*Faison.
- \*House Bill No. 514 -- Taxes, Sales As introduced, exempts certain sales of gold, silver, platinum, and palladium coins and bullion from the sales and use tax. Amends TCA Title 67, Chapter 6. by \*Gant, \*Lamberth.
- **House Bill No. 515** -- Taxes, Tobacco, Tobacco Products As introduced, exempts smokeless nicotine products from the tax on tobacco products and cigarettes. Amends TCA Section 67-4-1001 and Section 67-4-1005. by \*Gant.

- **House Bill No. 516** -- Insurance Companies, Agents, Brokers, Policies As introduced, provides that legal service plans entered into by a person and certain intermediary organizations are not considered legal insurance for the purposes of the Tennessee Legal Insurance Act. Amends TCA Title 56 and Title 67. by \*Gant.
- **House Bill No. 517** -- Regional Authorities and Special Districts As introduced, expands the scope of the Chickasaw Basin Authority to include all counties located within the drainage area of the authority. Amends TCA Title 64, Chapter 1, Part 2. by \*Gant.
- **House Bill No. 518** -- Juries and Jurors As introduced, exempts from jury service, upon request and sufficient proof, persons 75 years of age or older; requires person seeking exemption based on age to submit affidavit giving the person's name, date of birth, and such other information as required by the jury coordinator. Amends TCA Title 22. by \*Gant, \*Bricken.
- \*House Bill No. 519 -- Taxes, Privilege As introduced, eliminates the professional privilege tax for attorneys, physicians, investment advisors, and lobbyists. Amends TCA Title 63 and Title 67, Chapter 4, Part 17. by \*Gant.
- \*House Bill No. 520 -- Insurance Companies, Agents, Brokers, Policies As introduced, changes, from June 1 to July 1, the date by which an insurer or insurance group must submit its disclosure to the commissioner as required under the Corporate Governance Annual Disclosure Act. Amends TCA Title 56. by \*Gant.
- \*House Bill No. 521 -- Workers Compensation As introduced, requires the workers' compensation bureau, instead of the employee misclassification advisory task force, to make recommendations to the general assembly regarding programs and services to be funded from the employee misclassification education and enforcement fund. Amends TCA Title 50. by \*Gant.
- \*House Bill No. 522 -- Taxes, Exemption and Credits As introduced, exempts prefabricated underground and above-ground storm shelters and standby generators purchased for residential use from the sales and use tax in certain circumstances. Amends TCA Title 67, Chapter 6, Part 3. by \*Gant.
- \*House Bill No. 523 -- Insurance Companies, Agents, Brokers, Policies As introduced, clarifies that, except when dealing with an assignment of benefits to a healthcare provider, the rights, duties, or benefits provided by a policy of insurance may be assigned only as expressly provided by the terms of the policy of insurance or as otherwise expressly allowed by the insurer. Amends TCA Section 56-7-102. by \*Gant.
- \*House Bill No. 524 -- Education, Dept. of As introduced, changes from February 1 to February 15, the date by which the commissioner is required to annually report to the governor and the general assembly on the implementation and compliance with the Schools Against Violence in Education Act. Amends TCA Title 49. by \*Cepicky.
- \*House Bill No. 525 -- Education As introduced, requires the commissioner of education to notify electronically each LEA when the office of research and education accountability of the comptroller of the treasury publishes a report germane to K-12 education for dissemination by the LEA to all licensed personnel. Amends TCA Title 49. by \*Cepicky.

\*House Bill No. 526 -- Insurance Companies, Agents, Brokers, Policies - As introduced, permits a workers' compensation self-insurance pool to submit to the commissioner by electronic means the report required when the pool seeks to qualify for a gross premium tax credit or reduction due to investing in excess of 80 percent of its assets. - Amends TCA Title 4; Title 7; Title 8; Title 10; Title 33; Title 45; Title 50; Title 50; Title 55; Title 56; Title 62; Title 63; Title 65; Title 67; Title 68 and Title 71. by \*Kumar.

\*House Bill No. 527 -- Insurance Companies, Agents, Brokers, Policies - As introduced, requires that, for purposes of the commissioner of commerce and insurance's order disapproving a commercial risk insurer's policy form or endorsement, the date when the disapproval is effective be not less than 45 days after the order is issued, instead of not less than 30 days. - Amends TCA Title 4; Title 7; Title 8; Title 49; Title 50; Title 56 and Title 71. by \*Kumar.

\*House Bill No. 528 -- Teachers, Principals and School Personnel - As introduced, clarifies that a public charter school may request that the commissioner of education issue a temporary teaching permit to a person when the charter school is unable to secure a qualified teacher; requires a director of schools or director of a public charter school to report to the state board the conviction, suspension, dismissal, or resignation following allegations of misconduct, of a person holding a temporary teaching permit who is employed by the LEA or charter school. - Amends TCA Section 49-5-106. by \*Moody, \*Cepicky.

\*House Bill No. 529 -- Education, Curriculum - As introduced, requires an LEA or public charter school to notify a student's parent or guardian prior to commencing instruction of a sexual orientation or gender identity curriculum; permits a parent or guardian to excuse the parent's or guardian's student from a sexual orientation or gender identity curriculum, and prohibits the LEA or charter school from penalizing an excused student. - Amends TCA Title 49, Chapter 6, Part 13. by \*Moody.

\*House Bill No. 530 -- Law Enforcement - As introduced, establishes a reward for information leading to the arrest of any person responsible for the shooting of a law enforcement officer in the line of duty; sets the reward at \$10,000 if the officer is injured in the shooting or \$20,000 if the officer is killed in the shooting. - Amends TCA Title 38. by \*Moody.

**House Bill No. 531** -- Pensions and Retirement Benefits - As introduced, clarifies that when members of the Tennessee Consolidated Retirement System elect to establish retirement service through monthly installments, the members can do so over the length of service being established. - Amends TCA Title 8, Chapter 34; Title 8, Chapter 35; Title 8, Chapter 36 and Title 8, Chapter 37. by \*Helton.

**House Bill No. 532** -- Traffic Safety - As introduced, revises exemption that authorizes municipalities having a population of 10,000 or less to enforce traffic laws on a contiguous portion of an interstate highway within the boundaries of the municipality if there are at least two entrance ramps and two exit ramps so that the contiguous portion no longer needs to be solely within the boundaries of the municipality. - Amends TCA Title 55. by \*Gant.

\*House Bill No. 533 -- Education, State Board of - As introduced, revises various provisions regarding initial educator licensure, advancement, and renewal, including requiring the state board, when issuing an educator license to an out-of-state educator, to issue a license that is equivalent to the license the educator possesses in another state. - Amends TCA Title 49. by \*Weaver.

- \*House Bill No. 534 -- Criminal Offenses As introduced, creates the Class A misdemeanor of communicating a threat to commit an act of mass violence on school property or at a school-related activity; creates the Class B misdemeanor of knowing failure to report a threat of mass violence on school property or at a school-related activity. Amends TCA Title 33; Title 37 and Title 39, Chapter 16, Part 5, by \*Howell.
- \*House Bill No. 535 -- Schools, Charter As introduced, changes the time in which a parent representative must be appointed to the governing body of a charter school from within six months of the school's opening date to within 90 days of the school's opening date. Amends TCA Title 49, Chapter 13. by \*Hawk.
- \*House Bill No. 536 -- Taxes, Sales As introduced, allows dealers, when reporting and remitting sales taxes to the department of revenue, to retain a certain portion of such taxes in order to compensate for costs incurred in accounting for and remitting such taxes; establishes certain maximum limitations for certain dealers. Amends TCA Title 67, Chapter 6, Part 5. by \*Hawk.
- \*House Bill No. 537 -- Basic Education Program (BEP) As introduced, increases the number of BEP funded full-time public school nurse positions from one for every 3,000 students to one for every 750 students; increases the number of full-time public school nurses considered sufficient for the public school nurse program to adequately provide services from one nurse for every 3,000 students to one nurse for every 750 students. Amends TCA Title 49 and Title 68, Chapter 1, Part 12. by \*Hawk, \*Whitson, \*Powers.
- \*House Bill No. 538 -- Financial Institutions, Dept. of As introduced, reduces from 60 days to 45 days, the time period following the end of each calendar year in which the commissioner must annually report to the governor. Amends TCA Title 45. by \*Powers.
- \*House Bill No. 539 -- Taxes, Sales As introduced, authorizes dealers whose sales and use tax liability for 12 consecutive months has averaged \$500 or less per month to file returns and payment either monthly or quarterly; requires the \$500 to be adjusted for inflation and rounded to the nearest \$10 every five years, beginning January 1, 2026. Amends TCA Title 67, Chapter 6, Part 5. by \*Powers.
- \*House Bill No. 540 -- Highway Signs As introduced, provides that public community colleges are not required to have a certain number of students enrolled for a directional sign to be erected for the college. Amends TCA Title 54, Chapter 5. by \*Powers.
- **House Bill No. 541** -- State Symbols As introduced, designates the poem "My Beloved Tennessee" by Marlene Tidwell as an official state poem. Amends TCA Section 4-1-303. by \*Powers.
- **House Bill No. 542** -- Education, Higher As introduced, increases from \$1,000 to \$1,250 the amount awarded each semester to a full-time student receiving the middle college scholarship. Amends TCA Title 49, Chapter 4, Part 9. by \*Powers, \*Calfee.
- **House Bill No. 543** -- Handgun Permits As introduced, allows a handgun carry permit holder to apply to the county clerk in the holder's county of residence, in addition to the department of safety, to renew the holder's permit; requires the department of safety to contract with county clerk offices for the provision of any service related to the renewal of handgun carry permits. Amends TCA Title 39, Chapter 17. by \*Powers.

- **House Bill No. 544** -- Highway Signs As introduced, authorizes additional sign panels to be displayed where more than six businesses of a specific type are eligible at the same interchange or intersection approach by placing more than one specific service type on the same sign or using a second specific service sign; specifies that this applies only to businesses qualified under the program as of July 1, 2009. Amends TCA Title 54. by \*Powers.
- \*House Bill No. 545 -- Probation and Parole As introduced, requires an institutional parole officer to meet with an incarcerated individual within one year of the individual's release eligibility date to create a release plan; makes changes to considerations for parole eligibility. Amends TCA Title 40, Chapter 35, Part 5. by \*Dixie.
- **House Bill No. 546** -- Air Pollution As introduced, requires the air pollution control board to promulgate rules establishing ambient air quality standards for hydrogen sulfide. Amends TCA Title 68, Chapter 201. by \*Dixie.
- \*House Bill No. 547 -- Commerce and Insurance, Dept. of As introduced, requires registration with the department to operate as a commercial dog breeder; creates inspection requirements for commercial dog breeders; creates Class A misdemeanor offense for a person to knowingly operate as a commercial dog breeder without being registered. Amends TCA Title 62. by \*Jernigan.
- \*House Bill No. 548 -- Chiropractors As introduced, replaces one of the consumer member appointments to the board of chiropractic examiners with the appointment of a member who is a chiropractic X-ray technician or chiropractic therapy assistant certified in this state not less than two years. Amends TCA Title 63, Chapter 4. by \*Jernigan.
- **House Bill No. 549** -- Local Government, General As introduced, authorizes the estate of a deputy jailer of a local government who is killed in the line of duty to receive an annuity in the amount of \$250,000, paid over five years in \$50,000 installments. Amends TCA Section 7-51-210. by \*Gillespie.
- \*House Bill No. 550 -- Education, Curriculum As introduced, creates the robotics education task force to research opportunities for expansion of robotics education programs in the kindergarten through grade 12 curriculum. Amends TCA Title 49. by \*Gillespie, \*Ragan.
- \*House Bill No. 551 -- Employees, Employers As introduced, establishes a tiered essential wage for workers deemed essential starting at \$15 per hour and increasing to \$20 per hour by July 1, 2022. Amends TCA Title 50 and Title 58. by \*Johnson G.
- \*House Bill No. 552 -- Health Care As introduced, redefines store-and-forward telemedicine services for purposes of establishment of provider-patient relationships and standards of practice. Amends TCA Section 63-1-155. by \*Whitson, \*Smith.
- \*House Bill No. 553 -- Workers Compensation As introduced, adds to those acquired infectious diseases for which an emergency rescue worker is given a presumption to have a disability suffered in the line of duty a virus or other communicable disease for which a pandemic has been declared by the World Health Organization or the federal centers for disease control and prevention, and for which the governor has declared a state of emergency. Amends TCA Title 7, Chapter 51. by \*Whitson.

- **House Bill No. 554** -- Utilities, Utility Districts As introduced, increases, from \$500 to \$1,000, the penalty that a person is subject to, in addition to damages, when the person injures or destroys a portion of the gas fixtures, or other property belonging to a gas company, or willfully opens a communication into the street or other gas pipes, or lets on gas after it has been stopped by the gas company. Amends TCA Title 4; Title 5; Title 6; Title 7 and Title 65. by \*Johnson C.
- \*House Bill No. 555 -- Hospitals and Health Care Facilities As introduced, revises various provisions governing certifications of needs for nursing home beds, including updating the applicable fiscal years for bed limits for Medicare skilled nursing facilities; and deleting special provisions for partial relocation of nursing facilities and beds. Amends TCA Title 68, Chapter 11, Part 16. by \*Johnson C.
- \*House Bill No. 556 -- TennCare As enacted, extends the nursing home annual assessment fee to June 30, 2022. Amends TCA Title 71. by \*Johnson C.
- \*House Bill No. 557 -- Alcoholic Beverages As introduced, authorizes a person or entity holding a retail package store license, liquor-by-the-drink license, or retail food store wine license to sell or transfer the person's or entity's inventory of alcoholic beverages or wine, as applicable, upon the sale or closure of the establishment to another licensee if certain requirements are met. Amends TCA Title 57, Chapter 3, Part 2; Title 57, Chapter 3, Part 8 and Title 57, Chapter 4, Part 1. by \*Marsh.
- \*House Bill No. 558 -- Health Care As introduced, sets costs for the copying and mailing of healthcare records, including records relevant to a social security disability case. Amends TCA Title 63 and Title 68. by \*Marsh.
- \*House Bill No. 559 -- Medical Occupations As introduced, creates registration and disciplinary procedures for certified medical assistants, to be overseen by the department of health. Amends TCA Title 4; Title 63 and Title 68. by \*Marsh.
- **House Bill No. 560** -- Public Records As introduced, makes subject to public disclosure certain records, documents, and information pertaining to payers of the business tax, as long as the taxpayer consents to the public disclosure. Amends TCA Title 10, Chapter 7, Part 5 and Title 67. by \*McKenzie.
- **House Bill No. 561** -- Election Laws As introduced, changes the revocation of a person's voting rights pursuant to a conviction for certain infamous crimes to a temporary suspension of voting rights for the period of confinement, probation, or parole; automatically restores a person's voting rights upon release from confinement, probation, or parole. Amends TCA Title 2 and Title 40. by \*Dixie.
- **House Bill No. 562** -- Solid Waste Disposal As introduced, establishes buffer zones between landfill locations and residences. Amends TCA Title 68. by \*Dixie.
- \*House Bill No. 563 -- Bail, Bail Bonds As introduced, changes a professional bondsman's capacity with regard to collateral pledged as cash or an item readily converted to cash from 10 times to 20 times. Amends TCA Title 40, Chapter 11. by \*Dixie.

- **House Bill No. 564** -- Unemployment Compensation As introduced, removes the requirement that a claimant for unemployment benefits be determined and certified as eligible for the three consecutive weeks following the initial waiting period. Amends TCA Title 50, Chapter 7. by \*Dixie.
- **House Bill No. 565** -- Medical Occupations As introduced, specifically authorizes a licensed medical professional who draws blood at a nonprofit blood bank or blood center, a dentist, or a nurse to administer a vaccination against COVID-19 as long as the professional, dentist, or nurse has received appropriate training on how to administer the vaccination. Amends TCA Title 63. by \*Dixie.
- \*House Bill No. 566 -- Administrative Procedure (UAPA) As introduced, authorizes the government operations committee to request an agency to repromulgate a rule that has been in effect for eight or more years or repeal a rule deemed obsolete by the committee or the agency; removes the limitation that only the chancery court of Davidson County is authorized to review a contested case hearing where a declaratory order is issued. Amends TCA Title 4. by \*Ragan.
- \*House Bill No. 567 -- Administrative Procedure (UAPA) As introduced, changes the attorney general and reporter's review of an emergency rule, from not disapproving solely on the basis of failure to meet statutory criteria to requiring disapproval of an emergency rule that does not meet statutory criteria. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 5. by \*Ragan.
- \*House Bill No. 568 -- Administrative Procedure (UAPA) As introduced, limits an administrative agency's authority to promulgate rules without a public hearing. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 5. by \*Ragan.
- **House Bill No. 569** -- Administrative Procedure (UAPA) As introduced, requires each state agency head to complete periodic training for purposes of complying with the requirements of the "Regulatory Flexibility Act of 2007." Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 5. by \*Ragan.
- \*House Bill No. 570 -- Administrative Procedure (UAPA) As introduced, eliminates the restriction that the government operations committees of the house of representatives and senate may only stay the running of a rule for a period not to exceed 75 days. Amends TCA Section 4-5-215. by \*Ragan.
- **House Bill No. 571** -- Correction, Dept. of As introduced, decreases from five days to 10 days the time within which the commissioner is required to report the death of any person in custody to members of the general assembly representing the legislative districts where the deceased person resided at the time of death; adds a requirement that the report include the name of the facility where the death occurred. Amends TCA Title 4. by \*Ragan.
- \*House Bill No. 572 -- Education, Higher As introduced, authorizes persons aggrieved by final decisions of public four-year institutions of higher education to file petitions for contested case hearings to object to such decisions. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 5 and Title 49. by \*Ragan.
- \*House Bill No. 573 -- Open Meetings As introduced, changes the notice requirement for meetings conducted under the Tennessee Governmental Entity Review Law, from 10 days prior to the hearing in newspapers of general circulation to seven days prior to such hearing on the general assembly website. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29. by \*Ragan.

- \*House Bill No. 574 -- Professions and Occupations As introduced, requires the board for licensing alarm systems contractors to give due notice of each of its meetings, and the time and place of the meeting, on the board's website. Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 62. by \*Ragan.
- \*House Bill No. 575 -- Public Health As introduced, repeals private acts enacting county boards of health or departments of health; requires commissioner of health to report information regarding certain quarantines to the joint government operations committee, the health committee of the house of representatives, and the health and welfare committee of the senate; limits the county health officer's quarantine power. Amends TCA Title 4; Title 5; Title 8; Title 56; Title 63; Title 68 and Title 71. by \*Ragan.
- \*House Bill No. 576 -- Education As introduced, requires the department and the governing board of each public institution of higher education to promulgate rules to ensure compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972; allows the comptroller to conduct a thorough review of the department's office for civil rights and the governing board of each public institution of higher education. Amends TCA Title 49, Chapter 1 and Title 49, Chapter 7. by \*Ragan.
- \*House Bill No. 577 -- Birth Control As introduced, limits certain children's access to contraceptives; requires the textbook and instructional materials quality commission approve contraceptive information available in schools; requires parental consent for a child referred to a physician by a school to receive contraceptives. Amends TCA Title 4; Title 37; Title 49; Title 63; Title 68 and Section 71-5-133. by \*Ragan.
- \*House Bill No. 578 -- Children As introduced, prohibits the provision of sexual identity change therapy to prepubescent minors; prohibits the provision of sexual identity change therapy to minors who have entered puberty unless a parent or guardian has written recommendations for the therapy from at least three physicians; punishes violations as child abuse; designates violations by healthcare professionals as professional misconduct. Amends TCA Title 8; Title 36; Title 37; Title 39; Title 49; Title 53; Title 56; Title 63; Title 68 and Title 71. by \*Ragan.
- **House Bill No. 579** -- Health Care As introduced, authorizes the medical laboratory board to standardize quality control and electronic recordkeeping for all medical laboratories by rule; specifies that the fees that must accompany a renewal application include reporting fees set by the board. Amends TCA Title 4 and Title 68. by \*Ragan.
- \*House Bill No. 580 -- Education, Dept. of As introduced, requires the commissioner to post, by June 1, 2022, and by June 1 each year thereafter, the number of waivers of average class size limits granted to LEAs to assist the LEAs with funding grow your own programs. Amends TCA Title 4 and Title 49. by \*Ragan.
- \*House Bill No. 581 -- Guardians and Conservators As introduced, specifies the procedures for giving notice in conservatorship proceedings; specifies that certain examination reports in conservatorship proceedings are confidential and not open for inspection by the public. Amends TCA Title 34. by \*Ragan.

- \*House Bill No. 582 -- Controlled Substances As introduced, authorizes the departments of health and mental health and substance abuse services and the bureau of TennCare to provide in an electronic format the educational materials required to be made available to prescribers of medication assisted treatment and facilities that use medication-assisted treatment for the treatment of substance use disorder. Amends TCA Title 4; Title 16, Chapter 22; Title 33; Title 38; Title 39, Chapter 17; Title 40; Title 41; Title 45; Title 50; Title 53; Title 63; Title 67 and Title 68. by \*Terry.
- \*House Bill No. 583 -- Human Services, Dept. of As introduced, enacts the "Pathways to Prosperity Act." Amends TCA Title 3; Title 4; Title 9; Title 12; Title 13; Title 33; Title 49; Title 63; Title 68 and Title 71. by \*Terry.
- \*House Bill No. 584 -- Solid Waste Disposal As introduced, extends the deadline for municipal solid waste regions to submit their annual reports to the commissioner of environment and conservation from March 31 to April 15. Amends TCA Title 5; Title 6; Title 7 and Title 68. by \*Terry.
- \*House Bill No. 585 -- Criminal Offenses As introduced, increases the penalty for harassment if the person committed the offense because of the victim's employment as a first responder; defines "first responder" for the purposes of harassment. Amends TCA Title 4; Title 38 and Title 39. by \*Terry.
- \*House Bill No. 586 -- Sewage As introduced, authorizes loans from the wastewater facility revolving loan fund for privately owned for-profit community wastewater treatment systems that are subject to state regulation and meet certain financial qualifications. Amends TCA Title 68, Chapter 221, Part 10. by \*Marsh.
- \*House Bill No. 587 -- Local Education Agencies As introduced, allows an LEA to use excess instructional time accumulated during the school year for serious outbreaks of illness affecting or endangering students or staff without requiring the LEA to obtain approval from the commissioner of education to do so. Amends TCA Title 49, Chapter 6, Part 30. by \*Haston.
- \*House Bill No. 588 -- Juries and Jurors As introduced, requires a judge or jury coordinator to excuse a person from jury duty upon receiving a written statement, signed under penalty of perjury, that the person's religious beliefs prohibit the person from serving on a jury. Amends TCA Title 22. by \*Haston.

# HOUSE BILLS ON SECOND CONSIDERATION

On motion, bills listed below passed second consideration and were referred by the Speaker to Committee or held on the Clerk's desk as noted:

- \*House Bill No. 185 -- Day Care -- House Health Committee
- \*House Bill No. 186 -- Remedies and Special Proceedings -- House Civil Justice Committee
  - \*House Bill No. 187 -- Local Government, General -- House Civil Justice Committee
  - \*House Bill No. 188 -- Professions and Occupations -- House Commerce Committee

\*House Bill No. 189 -- Beer -- House Local Government Committee

\*House Bill No. 190 -- Health Care -- House Health Committee

\*House Bill No. 191 -- Taxes, Excise -- House Finance, Ways, and Means Committee

House Bill No. 192 -- Taxes, Sales -- House Finance, Ways, and Means Committee

\*House Bill No. 193 -- Basic Education Program (BEP) -- House Education Administration Committee

**House Bill No. 194** -- Alcoholic Beverages -- House State Government Committee

\*House Bill No. 195 -- Gaming -- Caption Bill Held on House Desk

**House Bill No. 196** -- Tennessee Emergency Management Agency (TEMA) -- Caption Bill Held on House Desk

House Bill No. 197 -- Public Records -- House State Government Committee

\*House Bill No. 198 -- Taxes, Real Property -- House Local Government Committee

**House Bill No. 199** -- Water Pollution -- House Agriculture & Natural Resources Committee

\*House Bill No. 200 -- Child Custody and Support -- House Civil Justice Committee

\*House Bill No. 201 -- Alcoholic Beverages -- House State Government Committee

\*House Bill No. 202 -- Public Employees -- House State Government Committee

\*House Bill No. 203 -- Boats, Boating -- House Agriculture & Natural Resources Committee

House Bill No. 204 -- Human Rights -- Caption Bill Held on House Desk

\*House Bill No. 205 -- County Government -- Caption Bill Held on House Desk

\*House Bill No. 206 -- Local Education Agencies -- House Education Administration Committee

House Bill No. 207 -- Consumer Protection -- House Commerce Committee

\*House Bill No. 208 -- Health Care -- House Health Committee

# **CONSENT CALENDAR**

- \*House Joint Resolution No. 39 -- Memorials, Death William Dale Barnes. by \*Eldridge.
- \*House Joint Resolution No. 40 -- Memorials, Retirement Judge David M. Bragg. by \*Sparks, \*Rudd, \*Terry, \*Baum, \*Clemmons.
- \*House Joint Resolution No. 42 -- Memorials, Personal Achievement Jeremiah Murray, Eagle Scout. by \*Garrett, \*Lamberth.
- \*House Joint Resolution No. 43 -- Memorials, Congratulations Taiwan. by \*Littleton, \*Smith, \*Rudder, \*Wright, \*Moody, \*White, \*Casada, \*Lamberth.
- \*Senate Joint Resolution No. 26 -- Memorials, Death Jim Adams. by \*Watson, \*Bell, \*Gardenhire.
- \*Senate Joint Resolution No. 28 -- Memorials, Retirement Vice Mayor John Kerley. by \*Haile.
- \*Senate Joint Resolution No. 29 -- Memorials, Recognition Sumner County Board of Education, 2020 TSBA School Board of the Year. by \*Haile.
- \*Senate Joint Resolution No. 30 -- Memorials, Death Terry Lee McCrary. by \*Massey, \*Briggs, \*McNally.
  - \*Senate Joint Resolution No. 31 -- Memorials, Death Roger Dale Allen. by \*Crowe.
- \*Senate Joint Resolution No. 32 -- Memorials, Heroism Medical Personnel in Tennessee. by \*Crowe, \*Southerland, \*Briggs, \*Akbari, \*Bailey, \*Bell, \*Bowling, \*Campbell, \*Gardenhire, \*Gilmore, \*Haile, \*Hensley, \*Jackson, \*Johnson, \*Kyle, \*Lundberg, \*Massey, \*Niceley, \*Pody, \*Powers, \*Roberts, \*Robinson, \*Rose, \*Stevens, \*Swann, \*Walley, \*Watson, \*White, \*Yager, \*Yarbro, \*McNally.
- \*Senate Joint Resolution No. 33 -- Memorials, Professional Achievement Dr. Claude O. Pressnell, Jr. by \*Crowe, \*Lundberg, \*Massey, \*McNally.
- \*Senate Joint Resolution No. 34 -- Memorials, Retirement Judge Daniel R. Swafford. by \*Gardenhire, \*Bell.
- \*Senate Joint Resolution No. 35 -- Memorials, Recognition James Story, 2020 Gallatin Citizen of the Year. by \*Haile, \*Campbell, \*Gilmore, \*Stevens.
  - \*Senate Joint Resolution No. 36 -- Memorials, Recognition Taylor Rowe. by \*Haile.
- \*Senate Joint Resolution No. 37 -- Memorials, Recognition Walters State Community College, 50th anniversary. by \*Southerland.
- \*Senate Joint Resolution No. 38 -- Memorials, Recognition Keifer Helle. by \*Southerland.

- \*Senate Joint Resolution No. 39 -- Memorials, Professional Achievement Chief Deputy David Beverly. by \*Southerland.
- \*Senate Joint Resolution No. 40 -- Memorials, Professional Achievement Chief Deputy Derrick Woods, 2020 East Tennessee Deputy of the Year. by \*Southerland.
- \*Senate Joint Resolution No. 41 -- Memorials, Death Coach Thomas Joe Weathers, Sr. by \*Watson, \*Gardenhire.
- \*Senate Joint Resolution No. 42 -- Memorials, Retirement Terry Denniston. by \*Watson, \*Gardenhire.
- \*Senate Joint Resolution No. 43 -- Memorials, Death Robert Joseph "Bob" Griffin. by \*Yager, \*McNally, \*Bell.
- \*Senate Joint Resolution No. 44 -- Memorials, Personal Occasion William Lehman McKnight and Maurene Ouita Grimes McKnight, 70th wedding anniversary. by \*Walley.
- Rep. Sparks moved that all members voting aye on House Joint Resolution No. 40 be added as co-prime sponsors with the Rutherford County delegation listed first, which motion prevailed.
- Rep. Mannis moved that all members of the Knox County delegation voting aye on Senate Joint Resolution No. 30 be added as co-prime sponsors, which motion prevailed.

Pursuant to **Rule No. 50**, Rep. Zachary moved that all House Bills having companion Senate Bills and are on the Clerk's desk be conformed and substituted for the appropriate House Bill, all Senate Joint Resolutions confirming appointments on the Clerk's desk be substituted for House Joint Resolutions confirming the same appointments, all Senate and House Bills on the Consent Calendar be passed on third and final consideration, all House Resolutions and House Joint Resolutions be adopted, and all Senate Joint Resolutions on the Consent Calendar be concurred in, which motion prevailed by the following vote:

| Ayes | . 95 |
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| Noes | 0    |

Representatives voting aye were: Alexander, Baum, Beck, Boyd, Bricken, Calfee, Campbell, Camper, Carr, Carringer, Casada, Cepicky, Chism, Clemmons, Cochran, Cooper, Crawford, Curcio, Darby, Dixie, Doggett, Eldridge, Faison, Farmer, Freeman, Gant, Garrett, Gillespie, Griffey, Grills, Hakeem, Halford, Hall, Harris, Haston, Hawk, Hazlewood, Helton, Hicks G, Hicks T, Hodges, Holsclaw, Howell, Hulsey, Hurt, Jernigan, Johnson C, Johnson G, Keisling, Kumar, Lafferty, Lamar, Lamberth, Leatherwood, Littleton, Love, Lynn, Mannis, Marsh, McKenzie, Miller, Mitchell, Moody, Moon, Ogles, Parkinson, Potts, Powell, Ragan, Ramsey, Reedy, Rudd, Rudder, Russell, Sexton J, Shaw, Sherrell, Smith, Sparks, Stewart, Terry, Thompson, Todd, Towns, Travis, Vaughan, Warner, Weaver, White, Whitson, Williams, Windle, Wright, Zachary, Mr. Speaker Sexton--95

A motion to reconsider was tabled.

# PRESENT IN CHAMBER

Rep. Hardaway was recorded as being present in the Chamber.

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

#### **BILLS WITHDRAWN**

On motion of Rep. Lamberth, **House Bill No. 60** was recalled from the Agriculture & Natural Resources Committee and withdrawn from the House.

On motion of Rep. Lamberth, **House Bill No. 143** was recalled from the Civil Justice Committee and withdrawn from the House.

On motion of Rep. Lamberth, House Bill No. 218 was withdrawn from the House.

On motion of Rep. Boyd, **House Bill No. 507** was withdrawn from the House.

On motion of Rep. Boyd, House Bill No. 396 was withdrawn from the House.

On motion of Rep. Boyd, **House Bill No. 399** was withdrawn from the House.

On motion of Rep. Ogles, **House Bill No. 102** was recalled from the Education Instruction Committee and withdrawn from the House.

On motion of Rep. Griffey, **House Bill No. 19** was recalled from the Commerce Committee and withdrawn from the House.

On motion of Rep. Vaughan, House Bill No. 228 was withdrawn from the House.

On motion of Rep. Todd, **House Joint Resolution No. 5** was recalled from the Commerce Committee and withdrawn from the House.

On motion of Rep. Cooper, **House Bill No. 31** was recalled from the State Government Committee and withdrawn from the House.

On motion of Rep. Cepicky, House Bill No. 589 was withdrawn from the House.

On motion of Rep. Cepicky, **House Bill No. 15** was recalled from the Education Instruction Committee and withdrawn from the House.

On motion of Rep. Zachary, **House Bill No. 8** was recalled from the Education Administration Committee and withdrawn from the House.

On motion of Rep. Zachary, **House Bill No. 147** was recalled from the Agriculture & Natural Resources Committee and withdrawn from the House.

On motion of Rep. Zachary, **House Bill No. 148** was recalled from the Transportation Committee and withdrawn from the House.

On motion of Rep. Zachary, House Bill No. 249 was withdrawn from the House.

On motion of Rep. Zachary, House Bill No. 250 was withdrawn from the House.

On motion of Rep. Zachary, House Bill No. 251 was withdrawn from the House.

On motion of Rep. Russell, **House Bill No. 362** was withdrawn from the House.

On motion of Rep. Wright, **House Bill No. 194** was recalled from the State Government Committee and withdrawn from the House.

On motion of Rep. Ramsey, **House Bill No. 208** was recalled from the Health Committee and withdrawn from the House.

On motion of Rep. Ramsey, House Bill No. 243 was withdrawn from the House.

#### **CLERK'S NOTE TO THE JOURNAL**

Rep. C. Johnson was removed from the Government Operations Committee.

#### **SPONSORS ADDED**

Under **Rule No. 43**, the following members were permitted to add their names as sponsors as indicated below, the prime sponsor of each having agreed to such addition:

House Joint Resolution No. 65 Reps. Weaver and Powers as prime sponsors.

House Bill No. 2 Rep. Hawk as prime sponsor.

**House Bill No. 3** Reps. Haston and Lamberth as prime sponsors.

**House Bill No. 5** Rep. Warner as First prime sponsor.

**House Bill No. 10** Rep. Doggett as prime sponsor.

House Bill No. 22 Rep. Garrett as prime sponsor.

**House Bill No. 64** Rep. Lafferty as Third prime sponsor.

House Bill No. 65 Rep. Carr as Third prime sponsor.

House Bill No. 75 Rep. Calfee as prime sponsor.

**House Bill No. 77** Rep. Bricken as Third prime sponsor.

House Bill No. 80 Rep. Kumar as prime sponsor.

**House Bill No. 82** Rep. Wright as Third prime sponsor.

House Bill No. 90 Rep. Powers as prime sponsor.

**House Bill No. 91** Rep. Hurt as Third prime sponsor.

**House Bill No. 110** Reps. Haston, Weaver, Crawford, Powers and Halford as prime sponsors.

House Bill No. 130 Reps. Curcio, Whitson, Hawk and Haston as prime sponsors.

House Bill No. 344 Rep. Faison as prime sponsor.

House Bill No. 365 Rep. Sherrell as prime sponsor.

House Bill No. 366 Reps. Hall, Howell and Faison as prime sponsors.

**House Bill No. 388** Rep. Darby as First prime sponsors.

House Bill No. 421 Rep. Powers as prime sponsor.

House Bill No. 434 Reps. Halford and Powers as prime sponsors.

House Bill No. 552 Rep. Smith as prime sponsor.

The roll call was taken with the following results:

# **ROLL CALL**

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| Present   |      | 95 |
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Representatives present were Alexander, Baum, Beck, Boyd, Bricken, Calfee, Campbell, Camper, Carr, Carringer, Casada, Cepicky, Chism, Clemmons, Cochran, Cooper, Crawford, Curcio, Darby, Dixie, Doggett, Eldridge, Faison, Farmer, Freeman, Gant, Garrett, Gillespie, Griffey, Grills, Hakeem, Halford, Hall, Hardaway, Harris, Haston, Hawk, Hazlewood, Helton, Hicks G, Hicks T, Hodges, Holsclaw, Howell, Hulsey, Hurt, Jernigan, Johnson C, Johnson G, Keisling, Kumar, Lafferty, Lamar, Lamberth, Leatherwood, Littleton, Love, Lynn, Mannis, Marsh, McKenzie, Miller, Mitchell, Moody, Moon, Ogles, Parkinson, Potts, Powell, Ragan, Ramsey, Reedy, Rudd, Rudder, Russell, Sexton J, Shaw, Sherrell, Smith, Sparks, Terry, Thompson, Todd, Towns, Travis, Vaughan, Warner, Weaver, White, Whitson, Williams, Windle, Wright, Zachary, Mr. Speaker Sexton -- 95

#### **RECESS**

On motion of Rep. Lamberth, pursuant to **House Joint Resolution No. 37** the House stood in a brief recess prior to joining the Senate in Joint Convention to hear Governor Lee's State of the State Address at the conclusion of which the House stood in recess until 9:00 a.m., Wednesday, February 10, 2021.

# IN JOINT CONVENTION STATE OF THE STATE ADDRESS MONDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2021

The hour having arrived, set by House Joint Resolution No. 37, the Senate met with the House in Joint Convention for the purpose of hearing the State of the State Address from Governor Bill Lee.

The Joint Convention was called to order by Mr. Speaker McNally, President of the Joint Convention.

#### **GAVEL TO SPEAKER SEXTON**

President McNally relinquished the gavel to Speaker Sexton.

On motion of Senator Johnson, the roll call of the Senate was dispensed with.

On motion of Representative Lamberth, the roll call for the House was dispensed with.

Mr. President Sexton stated, "Members of the General Assembly, it is my distinguished honor to present to you the Honorable Bill Lee, Governor of the Great State of Tennessee."

# STATE OF THE STATE ADDRESS BY GOVERNOR BILL LEE FEBRUARY 8, 2021

Thank you very much.

Lieutenant Governor McNally, Speaker Sexton, Speaker Pro Tem Haile, Speaker Pro Tem Marsh, Members of the 112th General Assembly, Justices, Constitutional Officers, fellow Tennesseans:

I would also like to acknowledge the First Lady who is in the audience. Maria serves our state with genuine compassion and is my partner in every aspect of this role. I love you and am proud that you are ours.

I also share my gratitude to members of my Cabinet and staff who are here tonight. Each of these men and women have committed to lives of service and honor. They are battle-tested and I am proud of their work and their friendship.

Members of the General Assembly, let me say that it's good to be here in person.

Last year, we stood together at the starting line of 2020 ready for a challenge and even more ready to leave our mark on what was sure to be a historic year for our state. Little did we know, the events that would take place just a few weeks after, would set the tone for our year.

An unimaginable one for us that included the rise of a global pandemic, devastating tornadoes, flooding, violence, unrest, an economic collapse, a downtown explosion and witnessing our

nation undergo painful turmoil at the highest levels of government.

There have been heartbreaking losses. We mourn the more than 10,000 Tennesseans we have lost in those deadly events this year.

In many respects, what was optimism has become a tempered feeling of resolve, and perhaps even cautiousness about what lies ahead in 2021 as we move forward but work to make sense of it all.

Scripture has a lot to say about that crossroads and what to do on the heels of suffering. Where do we find promise in this season? The promise is found in perseverance, which produces character that leads to hope.

Tennesseans will know tonight that tragedy has no hold on who we are or where we are headed. Tragedy will not define us it won't rob us of the opportunity that 2021 holds.

In fact, this year holds its own unique place for our state as we celebrate 225 years of statehood. Since 1796, our state has been the portrait of perseverance, character and hope because of everyday heroes. Ordinary Tennesseans are more than constituents - they are the strength of our state and the lifeblood of our country. From early settlers, the farmers and factory workers, and teachers and tradesmen, and doctors and pastors. We will celebrate that since 1796 the ordinary has made us extraordinary and remember that generations before us haven't just weathered but excelled in the cycle of perseverance, character and hope.

I will once again travel to all 95 counties to reach the unsung people and places that make our state who she is. We will do events in every county in Tennessee and to celebrate the 225th anniversary and I hope every Tennessean can join us at one of them. We will kick off that yearlong celebration in June, but in the mean time we have a lot of work to do. Starting with acknowledging this place in time and where we are in COVID right now. It will soon be part of our 225 year history and I want you to know where our response stands and how Tennessee can beat this thing once and for all.

Across the world this pandemic has exposed that when the government feels unprepared, it's a natural to have the temptation to think growing the size of government and reaching for the nearest mandate will save everything. But not in Tennessee. The worldwide data on government's success is mixed, but in Tennessee our approach has been consistent: maintain local control whenever possible, rely on people more than the government, and keep a primary focus on what we can directly impact.

We chose a prudent structure in our Unified-Command Group that merged the role of public health, the National Guard and our emergency management response. We built a strong infrastructure to deliver vaccines and tests directly into communities and we worked in lock step with our hospital partners.

One of our first decisions was to double down on testing capacity, and we were consistently one of the early testing leaders across the country. We were one of the first to make free testing available to every resident, regardless of symptoms and regardless of insurance status. We were the first to purchase masks for every citizen. As we watched disastrous outcomes at nursing homes in other states, we were one of the first states to test every nursing home resident and staff member well ahead of the federal requirement.

This decision paid off, as Tennessee has had a much lower fatality rate than the country as a whole in long term care facilities. And that fatality rate is not just a statistic - it equates to hundreds of lives saved thanks to the swift actions of state and local government and the nursing homes and long term care facilities across our state. Protecting the vulnerable has enabled us to continue the most critical functions of society, including educating our kids.

I'm proud of our schools, and our collective decision to follow the science when it comes to getting our kids back in the classroom. As of today, 146 of our 147 districts have an in-person option for students - and that choice is so critical for our kids. We were the first state to send monthly deliveries of PPE to teachers and staff. Most importantly of all, two months after the commencement of vaccine distribution in America, Tennessee is leading again.

We have consistently been in the top ten for vaccine distribution nationally and we expect that to continue in the weeks and months ahead. Good news doesn't always get noticed, but our vaccine distribution plan is recognized by the Former CDC Director Redfield as the most medically sound and practical plan in the country. We're getting shots in the arms of the Tennesseans who need it most.

Despite the challenges associated with COVID-19, we have managed these with very limited restrictions on Tennessee business and citizens, and when they have been required they were targeted and temporary.

You may remember that the last time I addressed Tennesseans was the week before Christmas. A post-Thanksgiving surge threatened to push our hospitals over the brink, and at that time, Tennessee had a greater number of new COVID cases per capita than anywhere in the world. There was more pressure than ever to implement lockdowns and mandates and stay at home orders - but we trusted our people. We encouraged people to gather differently in their homes for holidays. Tennesseans responded, and helped us blunt a post-holiday surge.

Our cases counts have plummeted, down more than two thirds since our peak six weeks ago. More important than that, our hospitalization numbers have sharply declined as COVID cases in hospitals have dropped more than 60% since our peak. We have had this success thanks to the people of our state and the brave service of our health care workers.

So I want to say directly to them: thank you. The successes we are seeing now are because of your diligence and sacrifice. I also want to thank the team of public health professionals, and members of Unified-Command Group who have been common sense partners despite very harsh critics. I also want to thank members of the Tennessee National Guard. Soldiers and airmen have been the face of service through natural disasters and this pandemic. We are so grateful to these men and women who stand at the ready for our state.

Deregulation has been one of the single most important functions in our pandemic response. One critical role of our executive orders has been to make it easier to do business amid the pandemic. Increasing the availability of telemedicine services, delaying driver license renewals, and allowing for transparent virtual meetings of local governments are a few examples of this. Our ability to deregulate and pivot quickly has saved lives.

Another critical role of our executive orders has been to access needed federal funds - hundreds of millions of dollars in emergency funding relying on state of emergency declaration.

And one last thing on this subject that's important to me: our executive orders explicitly protected houses of worship from being regulated or shut down in any way.

Our response has been effective, and as cases have dropped, many sectors of our economy are roaring. In fact, many segments of our economy are more prosperous than this time last year. In the worst economic phase of the pandemic, our unemployment rate climbed to 15.5 percent, but now it is 6.4 percent. We created the Tennessee Talent Exchange which connected unemployed workers with jobs. Our workforce participation rate has improved drastically during the last year.

It's better today than it was before the pandemic, and we have now exceeded the national average for the first time in 25 years. But some of our industries are struggling, and we have spent long hours and hundreds of millions of dollars to help Tennesseans keep their businesses.

In June 2020, the Tennessee Business Relief Program was launched. A total of 200 million dollars in business relief payments has been distributed to over 27,000 small businesses in Tennessee. In October 2020, the Supplemental Employer Recovery Grant (SERG) program was established. 125 million dollars of the coronavirus relief funds has been reserved for this program. To date, 30 million dollars has been distributed in grant funding to over 1,300 businesses. A strong economy means many things for Tennesseans, and one of them is low taxes and fiscal stability for their government.

A recent report shows Tennessee is one of only seven states to have positive economic growth since April 2020 when much of our economy was shut down. One of seven. We've cut a number of taxes since taking office two years ago, and we are recognized as the third least taxed state in the nation. So, let me thank and congratulate the General Assembly and the constitutional officers for that accomplishment. Comptroller Wilson and Treasurer Lillard have been fierce guardians of our strong fiscal position. I thank Justin Wilson for his service and welcome you, Comptroller Mumpower to build upon that legacy. Likewise, our fiscal stability and management have again won high praise even this year, when many states are dealing with budget crises on top of other challenges.

We have worked with members of the General Assembly to create the Financial Stimulus Accountability Group, which has ensured good stewardship of federal dollars that have come our way. This group has been both a bi-partisan effort and a fully transparent effort to ensure that it is open to the press and the public. I thank Lt. Gov McNally, Speaker Sexton, Sen. Watson, Sen. Akbari, Rep. Marsh and Rep. Love who each served on this committee, for your partnership in this endeavor. We have taken a fiscally conservative approach throughout this past year, maintaining strong reserves and budgeting for conservative growth rates.

Indeed, our budget is strong, and the differences are stark when you compare our state's conservative budget to states with very different approaches. But a strong budget isn't just about bragging rights. A strong budget allows us to be good stewards of what the taxpayers have entrusted to us. Those of us who run businesses know that deferring maintenance is a bad idea and therefore we have ignored the temptation to put off these projects amid economic uncertainty.

In this year's budget I'm proposing the largest capital maintenance budget in our state's history-more than 900 million dollars in capital improvements and maintenance on both state buildings and higher education campuses. We are also eliminating the backlog of deferred maintenance at state parks with a 30 million dollar investment. Addressing maintenance is the fiscally responsible thing to do.

We are also meeting other important obligations in our budget. We will fully fund the BEP funding formula and the THEC outcomes-based formula, ensuring our students are put in the best possible position to recover from the pandemic. And when the dust settles on this year, our combined Rainy Day and TennCare reserve funds will be 2 billion dollars - the largest in the state's history.

We proactively used our state's federal relief dollars to ensure the solvency of our unemployment trust fund, minimize the tax burden on employers, and encourage hiring. As a result, while over half of states have lost more than 75% of their trust fund value, Tennessee is entering 2021 fully solvent, at the lowest employer tax rate. Let me put this in practical terms: prudent management of the Unemployment Trust Fund staved off a projected 300% tax increase on Tennessee employers for unemployment insurance. Now more than ever, we can look at our economic forecast and say: it matters who governs, and conservative principles work.

Our budget situation allows us to stand up here after a very challenging year and recommend a number of bold proposals for your consideration. But before I do that, let me say a word about the recent special legislative session. We met here two weeks ago for a historic special session. It was bold. And it will change the lives of our children. I won't reiterate our accomplishments there but will add that the work continues for teacher pay raises.

During the special session we allocated almost \$43 million dollars for teacher pay raises. This was a step in the right direction, and the budget I'm submitting for your consideration this week recommends an additional \$120 million dollars be set aside for teacher compensation in the 21-22 budget. This year has already brought other historic successes as well.

After a year and a half of negotiating, Tennessee recently became the first state in history to receive a Medicaid block grant waiver from the federal government. This waiver will allow those in our Medicaid population to reap the benefit from our state's strong fiscal management of the TennCare program. It will also require us to meet a number of quality metrics, so we ensure that savings will not be accrued by cutting back on the number of people we serve or compromising the services that we currently provide in any way.

Furthermore, I am committing today that we will use the shared savings to do important work like shortening the waiting list for those with intellectual and developmental disabilities who need services. Let me be clear: if partisan attacks that call for this block grant to be rescinded prevail, the state will not get these shared savings dollars that we plan to use to improve healthcare for vulnerable Tennesseans. This block grant is a big deal and I'm proud of it, but it's not all we're doing to improve health care in Tennessee.

My budget proposal includes \$6.5 million dollars to extend postpartum coverage to all women receiving TennCare benefits from 60 days to 12 months to increase access to care for new moms. We're making a \$2 million dollar investment in our health care safety net so that those without health insurance have a place to go when they need it. And we're also adding \$6.5

million in our mental health safety net which will be focused on providing services for school-aged children struggling with mental health issues.

I mentioned partisanship earlier and I want to address the recent election. There was no greater stage for partisan politics than the final months of 2020 with partisan divides impacting almost every aspect of American life. I have great concerns about our country's faith in the integrity of our election process. Thankfully, our state has stayed well above that controversy. If every state ran their election process like Tennessee, we'd have no delays and no scandal.

I credit you, Secretary Hargett, for your leadership to ensure Tennessee elections have integrity and that we do our part to protect the democratic process. With elections behind us, we will watch with patriotic skepticism to see if politicians in Washington try to force more government on the states than the Tenth Amendment allows. Why? Because Tennessee knows what we need a lot better than the federal government.

Perhaps one of the most important lessons that has come out of this season is that Americans need to understand how their government works. Two years ago we created the Governor's Civics Seal to ensure we raise a generation of young people who are knowledgeable in American history and confident in navigating their civic responsibilities. This year, we are expanding this initiative. Using federal dollars, we're doubling the number of schools participating in the Civics Seal Initiative which will ensure that thousands more students get a better civics education.

Going forward we are developing a set of instructional materials that will be free to districts, so that ultimately every school can earn the Governor's Civics Seal at no cost. As we look to the regular session that you will begin tomorrow, we have conservative proposals for your consideration that will reduce crime, support strong families, and get our economy back up to speed, especially in rural Tennessee. Our proposals honor the individual yet benefit the state as a whole, and they will leave us well-positioned for the recovery that has already begun across our state.

As you all know, rural Tennessee is close to my heart and making it stronger is a major priority for my administration. Revitalization starts with economic development, and quality economic development is about investing directly into communities. We've proposed \$21 million dollars to invest in rural communities and distressed counties to directly support rural infrastructure, industrial site development, small business development and revitalizing small town main streets.

Whether it's running a small business, accessing virtual learning, or accessing health care via telemedicine, slow internet speeds have many in rural Tennessee left at a disadvantage. I have proposed record investments in broadband since becoming Governor, and I am grateful for the legislature's support on this issue. But - I am ready for us to solve this issue once and for all. A significant, one-time investment, combined with significant private investment, will get broadband to just about every community in Tennessee, and tonight, that's exactly what I'm proposing.

To help us achieve our goal of every Tennessean having access to high speed broadband, my budget recommends an investment of 200 million dollars. One major reason broadband expansion is important is to improve educational outcomes in rural areas. We are doing that in

other ways as well. As you know, I have strongly advocated for the expanded use of public private and non-profit partnerships that empowers the private sector to help us achieve important objectives without being hampered by red tape and bureaucracy.

This year, we are proposing a new partnership with the Ayers Family Foundation to create a first of its kind rural education partnership that will improve both the college-going and college success rate of students in our rural communities. This is a proven program that is already serving thousands of students, and I know they can do even more with our support.

Even as we launch new programs like this, programs we have launched in the last two years are already paying off for our kids. We funded 28 projects in 18 at-risk counties through the Governor's Investment in Vocational Education also known as the GIVE Act. These projects created a new template for vocational education in this state, and we owe it to our students to keep the momentum going, despite the pandemic.

This year, I'm proposing an additional 10 million dollars to create ten new GIVE sites, with a priority on distressed and at-risk communities with the greatest need of workforce revitalization. Last year, the Future Workforce Initiative that I proposed and you enacted trained more than 200 teachers in STEM CTE programs and expanded access to AP computer science courses by 75%. Apprenticeship Tennessee is our statewide initiative to advance apprenticeship opportunities for employers in every part of the state. It's working - we have the highest number of Tennessee apprentices in a decade. This is grassroots workforce development and it's starting in our classrooms.

While we have strengthened specific aspects of rural education, we have invested in our urban centers, too: More than \$20 million in federal grants will largely support added tutoring and technology for students in our urban areas. The reason we place so much focus on education is because students should be prepared for productive lives, not just the latest standardized test. I recently had a conversation with Commissioner Schwinn that the mission of the Department of Education should be simple: Students should be prepared for life beyond the classroom. Our education policy impacts our kids today. Our other policies dictate what sort of state our children will inherit tomorrow and that starts with how we approach families in our state.

You know that I am strongly pro-life and I will continue to defend this position. Last year I stood before you and presented one of the most aggressive pro-life bills in the country. That bill passed and it was an important day for our state, and a memorable one for me. But being pro-life isn't just about defending the unborn and we must also think about how to use our passion for this issue to improve the lives of struggling families.

My administration is preparing a number of new initiatives that we'll announce throughout the year that will make Tennessee a national leader in foster care and adoption. We are partnering the Department of Children's Services, our faith-based office, and several third-party stakeholders to create partnerships with families and churches across our state that will move us toward a goal of every child in Tennessee having a loving home. No doubt one of our goals must be fewer broken families, but there are things we can do to make the foster and adoption system work better when families do break up. We are proposing a TennCare coverage extension for adopted youth that will allow them to retain their TennCare eligibility until age 18 regardless of federal or state adoption assistance eligibility. This extension will allow them to

have a seamless transition into their new families, retaining existing physical, mental, and behavioral health services and reducing the fiscal burden of adoption on their new family.

Another key part of our efforts to support children and families is within the Governor's Office of Faith-based and Community Initiatives. Among other successes in the last year, the Faith-Based Office played an important role in engaging our local faith communities to help connect people with employment services. As we've seen over the last year, there are times when Tennessee families need an extra hand to make ends meet. We have an opportunity to deploy resources and help those families by modernizing more than 700 million dollars in our Temporary Assistance for Needy Families funding. Between the efforts of the TANF working group and our new Human Services Commissioner, Clarence Carter, I believe we have a transformational solution to modernize TANF.

Our proposals provide families a pathway to prosperity, while enhancing protections against fraud, waste, and abuse by incentivizing education and apprenticeships, increasing the allotment amount for working families, and improving stakeholder engagement - all while strengthening program integrity. Tennessee families deserve safe neighborhoods and I will again bring forward legislation this year that accomplishes that. You've heard me say many times that we have to be tough on crime, and smart on crime. The legislation will look familiar to you - it was moving through committee last year when we had to set it aside to focus on our COVID-19 response.

In addition, my budget includes 4.7 million dollars for additional day reporting centers and evidenced-based programming for community supervision. This approach ensures that re-entry to society is done in the most safe and effective way possible for those who were formerly incarcerated. Safe neighborhoods require law enforcement that is well-supported and well-trained, and we have made a number of important strides for criminal justice reform and police training this year. We know that law enforcement is a calling, and the men and women who take an oath to serve and protect deserve the best and most comprehensive training to benefit themselves and the communities they interact with. We've improved training standards and paid for almost 100 cadets to attend improved law enforcement training at no cost to their local communities. We also added a new class of State Troopers and 20 new TBI Field Agents.

I think we can all agree that our law enforcement officials in our state have done an incredible job in protecting and serving the people of Tennessee. Now, more than ever, Tennesseans want a strong commitment to the Second Amendment and the right to protect themselves. And as such, I will be reintroducing Constitutional Carry legislation this year.

Besides all of these legislative proposals, I'd like to mention a few additional budget priorities before I close. I said at the start how proud I am of my staff and cabinet, and I am just as proud of all of our fellow co-workers, the best state employees in all of America. As with teachers, my budget recommends a 4 percent raise for state employees as well.

To help local governments and communities recover from COVID faster, we are proposing 200 million dollar investment in local government infrastructure grants. This funding will assist local governments with public safety projects, upgrades to utility systems and IT services, capital maintenance projects such as road improvements, new school construction, and school renovations. We have worked for months to develop a budget for your consideration. One that is

fiscally conservative and developed with a responsible attitude of stewardship of the hardearned dollars of Tennessee taxpayers.

This has been a very long and challenging year for our nation and our state. There has been a tragic loss of life, loss of incomes, loss of learning for our kids. In many respects, one of our most difficult years in recent history. But I've learned over my 61 years of life that God is a Redeemer. He takes what is tragic and makes it transformational. There are things that we never would have known, insights we never would have been awakened to. Through times of trial we become more purposeful and more resolute. We see things more clearly, we act with more intention and we have a greater opportunity more than ever to seize the moment and shape the future.

To see the needs of our neighbors around us, every single one of them and to commit to serving them. Tennesseans, transformation will define us. Not tragedy. The state of our state is indeed hopeful.

I thank you for the honor I have been given to serve alongside each of you, this state and her people.

I still believe and I always will believe in Tennessee.

May God bless each of you and may God bless our state.

#### **GAVEL TO LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR MCNALLY**

President Sexton relinquished the gavel to Lt. Gov. McNally.

Thereupon, the purpose for which the Joint Convention was called having been accomplished, Mr. President McNally declared the Joint Convention dissolved.